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Articles of The Beaver Creek Association - (Faith)

1st We believe In one true and Living God. The Father The word and holy Ghost —

2nd We believe that the Scriptures of the old & New Testaments are the word & are the only Rule of Faith & practice for the Church of God —

3rd We

Saturday Before The First Lords Day in October
A. D. 1832 In Consequence of The Union
of The United Baptist Being Broke by
The Introduction of The Modern Schemes
And Inventions of The Modern missionary
We a Committee of The original Predes
-tinarian Baptists Convened at Bear
Creek Church Montgomery County North
Carolina In October, Which Meeting was
opened by Singing & Prayer Proceeded to
Form a Union of Letters from The Different
Churches Expressive of Their Principles in
The Doctrine of The Gospel as Follows —
Churches — messengers Names —
Bear Creek } - Elder Ezekiel martin, M, Howard J. Lambert
Coldwater } - N. Carzine, A.B. Carzine; Ann Carzine
Freedom } - Elder J. Jones. Wm Coley —
Meadow Creek } - Elder J. Little N. Green R. Honeycutt
Piney woods } - J Hodge Henry Cannon & Josiah Hodge —
1st Proceeded to appoint Elder George Little
Chief Speaker or moderator & George Hodge Clerk —
2nd on motion it was agreed That This
Association Shall Bear the appelation of
Bear Creek association
3rd on motion It was agreed That the First
Meeting of This association be held at the
Church on Saturday Before the 1st Lords Day
In November Next Et George Little to preach
The Introductary Sermon Which association
Confession of faith form of Government &
Rules may be Seen in the following pages —

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The father the word & the holy Ghost —
— 2d We believe in the man Jesus being the
First of all Gods creation & the pattern of
all Gods perfections in Nature providence
Grace & Glory & In Relation Union ~~with~~
With the Divine Ward & thus united with
The Whole Trinity —
— 3d We believe That The Scriptures of the old
And New Testaments Containing the only
Revealed ward of God. & are the only Rule
For Faith & practice for Gods Church in
Her militant State While here on Earth
— 4th We believe in the Doctrine of Election
That God Chose his Church in Christ Jesus
as people before the world began —
— 5th We believe In all mankinds Apostacy by
Transgression in adam their Federal head
— 6th We believe In the Doctrine of original Sin
— 7th We believe In the Impotency of man to
Recover himself from his fallen State by
His own free will & ability
— 8th We believe that Sinners are Justified
Freely by Grace and before God by Faith
In Christ & his Righteousness — as of
— 9 We believe that Gods Elect or Church Shall
Be Called Converted Regenerated & Sanctified
The holy Spirit In due time —
— 10th We believe that the Saints Shall persevere
In Grace and Never finally fall away
— 11th We believe that baptism & the Lords Supper
are ordinances of Jesus Christs appointment
And that believers alone are the Subjects

of Baptism & the only proper Communicants
of the Supper and that the mode of Baptism
is Immersion & that Neither of the ordinances
Are to be altered Nor the Subjects changed
By the Inventions or opinions of men —
12th We believe that No man as a minister
has any Right to the administration of any of
The ordinances of the Gospel Except Such
As are Sound in the faith of the Gospel
Regularly Baptised Called of God Come
Under the Imposion of hands by a Regular
Presbytery
13th We believe in the Resurrection of the
Dead both the Just and Unjust and a
General Judgement
14th We believe the Punishment of the wicked will be
Everlasting & the Joys of the Righteous
Eternal

Form of Government

1st the association Shall be Composed of
Members duly Chosen by the Different
Churches in our Union & Sent to Represent their
2d In the association Producing Letters from their
Respective Churches Certifying their appointment
Shall be Entitled to a Seat —
2d. In the Letters from the Different Churches
Shall be Expressed their members in full
Fellowship those Baptised, Received by Letter,
Dismissed, Excommunicated. Rusted Dead
Since the Last association —
3d the Members thus Chosen & Convened Shall
Be Denominated the Year Book association
Who Shall have No power to Land over God
Heritage Nor have any Ecclesiastic power to
Infringe on the Internal Rights of the Churches

+ Nevertheless In Some Cases it Becomes Necessary
To have Some Uniform Rule for Proceeding (viz)
When an offence may be Committed by one
Church against another, We advise the Church
So offended to Labour with the offender
For Satisfaction & if She fail of Success
She may Call in the aid of Two or more Churches
In the Union to assist in the Labors & if finally
Satisfaction in the opinion of the helps cannot
be obtained then the aggrieved Church may
Bring the Case before the association. Whose duty
it Shall be. to act on it & also when any
Serious Difference may arise in any Individual
Church Which They all after due Labors had
Cannot Reconcile we advise the Church thus
To Call in the aid of Two or more Churches
In the Union to assist in the work & if
No Satisfaction Can be had it may be brought
Before the association who Shall act on it
And further to Illustrate the mode of proceeding
In the above Cases Reference Shall be had
To the 18. Ch. of the Gospel by Matthew & other
Scriptures which Respect Discipline for the bringing
To trial & Determining on the Case of an Individual
member in an Individual Church & the association
Will Take Cognizance of no Case of the kind
Unless the above proceedings be had thereon
4th The association When Convened Shall be
Governed by a Regular & proper Quorum which
They are Authorised to form for themselves
5th The association Shall appoint a Chief Speaker
or moderater from among themselves for the time
Being whose Duty it Shall be to see Rules of
Decorum Shall be attended too To take opinion
of the association on all questions Proposed to
Before them & a Clerk Shall be appointed by
The association whose Duty it Shall be to
Take a Correct minute of the proceedings
The association Keep a Regular file of the

Minutes — Who Shall be at Liberty to Choose his
assistants
— 6th New Churches may be admitted into this
Union who Shall petition by Letter & Delegate
or Delegates & an Excommunication if found
— Orthodox and orderly may be Received & may be
Manifested by the Chief Speaker or moderator giving
The Right hand of fellowship to the Delegate
or Delegates —
— 7th Every Church in Union Shall be Entitled to
Representatives in the Association but Shall not
Have more than three members from a Church
— 8th any Quary presented to the assaciation by any
Church in the Union Shall be Read on which
The Sense of the Association Shall be taken
Whether it be Considered & if there be a major
=ity for taking it into Consideration it Shall
Be Examined, otherwise it Shall be withdrawn
Nevertheless No Quears Except Such as Relate
To the General Union Shall be Received from
Any Church which had Not been Deliberately
Considered in the Church in which it arise
=th & in which they cannot get Satisfaction
— 9th Every Motion made in order & Seanded Shall
Come Under Consideration of the Association
Unless it be withdrawn by the person who made
it — Together with his Seand —
— 10th The Association Shall Endeavour to furnish
The Churches with minutes of their proceedings
And in order to Enable them to do it in the
Most Convenient manner It is Recommended
That the Churches Should Contribute Such
Sums of money as they think proper &
Send by their messengers, which when Rec.
Shall be put into the hands of a treasurer
Appointed for that purpose & Shall be Distri
=buted as the Association may Direct for the
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— 11th Presbyterys for the Purpose of Constituting
Churches or acting in Conjunction with the
Churches in ordaining ministers or Restoring those
Whose gifts have been Suspended by Excommu
=nication to their former functions Shall be
Composed of Two or more Ministers in the Union
— 12th The association Shall Provide for the Gensal
Union of the Churches Preserve a Chain of Commu
=nication amongst Them give Them advice in
Matters of Difficulties Enquire into the Cause why
Any Church or Churches fail to Represent themselves
In the association appropriate the monies by the
Churches for associational fund to any purpose
They may think proper or Necessary for the
Benefit of the Churches & appoint any member or
Members of the association with his or Their Consent
To Transact any Business for the benefit of the
Union Which they may Think proper —
13th The Association May withdraw from any
Church or Churches That are Disorderly in
Principle or practice —
— 14th The association may at it Setting admit any
Distant Brethren whose principles accord with
Theirs to Set with them — who Shall be at
Liberty to Discourse any Question & Give his
Lights but not permitted to vote (Except
Touching the Gensal Union —
— 15th All Questions Shall be Determined by a
Majority of members present (Except in the Ruptu
of Churches which Shall be Unanimous —
— 16th Two Thirds of the Members Shall form a
Quorum to Do Business —
(— 17th Amendments may be made to this form of Go
(— ment & to This Constitution by Majority of mem
Being Present —

— 18th The Minutes of This association Shall be Read & corrected if need be & Signed by the Chief Speaker & Clerk —

— 19th The Association May adjourn to any Time & Place They may think Proper —

Rules of Decorum

— 1st A Moderator or Chief Speaker & Clerk may Be Chosen by the Suffrages of the members Present —

— 2nd The Chief Speaker or moderator Shall Take his Seat at the hour to which The association Shall be Adjourned & after prayer Shall Proceed to business He Shall be his duty to keep Order & Shall be Entitled to The Same privilege of Speech as that of another member provided He appoint one of the members to fill the Chair During the Exercise of Such Privilege & in no Case Shall he give a vote Unless the association Be Equally Divided —

— 3rd Only one member Shall be allowed to Speak at a time who Shall Rise from His Seat & address the Chief Speaker by The appellation of Brother & while Speaking Shall confine himself Strictly to the Subject in Question & Shall not be Interupted Unless he Digress from the Subject & Shall in no Wise Reflect on any other Speaker So as to make Remarks on his Slips failings or Imperfections But Shall fairly Give his own views of the Case without Sophistry or Criticism

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— 4th No Person Shall Speak more than three Times to one Subject without Leave of the Association —

— 5th No Person Shall absent himself from the Association without Leave —

— 6th No Member of this Association Shall address any other member by any other Name or Name Than that of Brother —

— 7th The Chief Speaker or moderator Shall not Interupt one member to Prohibit him from Speaking Until his Speach is finished Except He breake the Rules of Decorum —

— 8th The Names of all the members of this Associa=tion Shall be Enrolled by the Clerk and be Called Over as often as the Association may Require —

† 9th Any Member Who Shall willingly & knowingly Breake or Violate any of the foregoing Rules of This Association Shall be Reproved By the Association In any way they may Think most Proper — †

Minutes

1832
of the Bear creek Baptist Association convened at
Bear creek Meetinghouse on Saterday before the first Lord
Day in Nov. A. D. 1832

Saterday

1st The Introductary Sermon was Delivered according to appoint-
=ment by Elder George Little from Psams 133. verse 1-
The business was then opened by singing & prayer
When letters Rcved from four Churches were Read
Messengers names Enrolled & their State mentioned as follows

Churches	Messengers	No.		
Bear creek	Elder Morton & Lambert Hall Reserved	57	2	
Coldwater				
Freedom	Elder James Wm Coly Richard Poplin	18	2	
Meadow creek	Elder George Little & Little B Haney Clk	31	2	
Piny woods	H Canner & Hodge Jesse Hodge	22	2	
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2 Elder George Little was Appointed Chief Speaker
George Hodge Clerk & H Canner assistant Clerk
3 The Corresponding messinger was called for and
& Philip Snider Rcved from the abbots creek Union
Association
4 A Committee of arrangement was appointed to arrange
The business of the association Composed of El. James
With the moderator & two Clerks; also Committe of fifteen
Composed of Matt. Harvard & Daniel Little, als Elders
James James Thomas Phillips & Philip Snider were then
Elected to preach tomorrow worship to Commence
10 oClock after prayer adjourned until monday
5. The brethren appointed to preach met a large
Congregation El James preached from Ps 103 ver 1-
& Philips from 2 Cor 8 Ch 9 ve El Snider Closed the
Service of the day from Rev 19 Ch. 8 ve
6 The association met pursuant to ajournment & after
Prayer by Elder proceeded to business the names of
the messengers were Called & the Rules of decency

Read & Recvd it was then Resolved that our annual
Association Commence on the Saturday before the first
Lord's day in October it was agreed to Correspond with
The Abbotts creek Union association, Elder Little
and Jones appointed Correspondents
7 A motion was made for the Relief of members of
The baptist who are Grieved with the Institutions of the day
We Recommend to any Church in this body to receive
Any member who is orderly in his own Church who
May apply for membership Giving satisfaction to the
Churche of their Good Standing
8 It was Resolved that 4th day of July be set apart
For prayer & thanksgiving to almighty God for his
Blessings to his Gospel church & for an increase of
Faithfull Labourers in his vineyard
9 It was agreed to attach a Circular Prepared by
Elder Little which was Read & Recvd
10 Elder Jones appointed to write our next Circular
Letter & Choose his Subject
Elder Ephiel Manlan to preach the association Sermon
In case of failure Elder Little, The Comitte of finance
Reported & was discharged, The Contributions of
The Churches amount to Eight dollars, Brother George
Hodge to superintend the printing of the minutes &
Distribute them according to Contribution
11 The next association will be held at the pine
Wood in Rowan County
12 The association dismissed by the moderator after pray

George Little Moderator

George Hodge Clerk

Minutes

1833-
of the Bearcreek baptist asociation convened at piny
Woods meting house on Saturday before the first
Lords day in october A D 1833

Saturday -

1st The Introductary Sermon was delivered according to
appointment by Elder Ezekiel Morton from Ps 25 ch
14 v

2 the delegates convened at the house the asociation
was opened by prayer by Elder George Little

3 Read Letters from four Churches the delegates Enrolled
And the State of the Churches minutes as follows -

Churches	Messengers names	Baptd	Rec'd &c	Dismd &c	Restord	Excld	Dead	Communicants	
Bearcreek	Elder Ez Morton Ezy Mercer Haslen Kelly John Whitley	4	0	4	0	0	0	85	D 6 2 00
Freedam	I Pikler Wm Coly Wm Burres	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	1 85
Meadowcreek	Elder George Little R Haneyuet Lewis Tucker	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	1 20
Piney woods	H. Cannon I Hodge Chas Shaver	8	0	0	1	2	0	29	1 10

6 4 appointed Brethren George Little Moderator
And George Hodge Clerk

5 appointed brethren to preach to morrow
Lords day Elders I Snider, A Swaim, I Snider,
& A Peacock

6 Called for corrospending messengers & Received
From the abbotz creek Union asociation A Swaim
P Snider, I. Snider, A Peacock,

7 appointed a Committe of arrangements (viz)
P Snider A Swaim Ez. Morton with the moderator
& Clerk

8 as Brother James Sanes was appointed to
Write a Circular for this asociation, the

Lord being pleased to Call him from his
Labors; three Circulars was prepared by By Brethren
Little, Hodge, & Snider & Commetted for Russian
To the Committe of arrangements to Report on
Monday —
— & appointed a Committe of finance S. Hodge & T. Canner
— 10= the association Dismised by singing and
Prayer & ajourned till monday 9 oclock A.M

Lord's Day —

The preachers appointed to preach attended & met
An attentive Congregation El Lewis Snider preach.
From Eph. 4 Ch 4.5.6. El A Swaim from Col 5 Ch 28
El S. Snider from Tim. 2 Ch. 7. El peach Closed
The Services of the day by a warm Exortation
— 11 The association — on monday according to ap-
=pointment the services of the day opened by El A
Peach by singing & prayer
— 12 Rules of Decorum Read
— 13 Corresponding messengers called for & Reported
Satisfactory
— 14 Committe of arrangement Reported & report
Recved the Committe Discharged
— 15 the Committe of finance Reported — Report
Recved the Committe Discharged
— 16 The Circular Letter written by Elder Little
Recved without any amendment
— 17 Elder George Little & brethren George Hodge
And Jesse Hodge appointed Corresponding
Messengers to the abbots creek Union association
— 18 Elder Ely Martain & brother John whitty
Appointed Corresponding messengers to the
Mayo association
— 19 A Query handed in by Brother Joseph
Bell How will the Churches composing this association
Receive members that have been Recved in the
Convention Churches & have been baptised by the
Convention preachers since the Division

#34 Has taken place

Ans. By Experience & Baptism

—— 20 Brother George Hodge appointed to write Our next circular Letter & chose his subject

—— 21 Brother George Hodge appointed to Superintend the printing of the minutes & to Have 150 printed & distribute them according To Contribution

—— 22 Our next association to be held at Freedom Meeting house No. 6 montgomery County to Commence Saturday Before the first Lords Day in oct 1834

—— 23 Elder George Little appointed to preach the Introductary Sermon & in case of his failure Elder Eb Mankam the association Dismissed Prayer and

George Hodge Clk

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Minutes

Of the Bear creek Baptist association convened In session at Freedom Church Montgomery County No 6, Saturday before the first Lords day In oct 1834 —

—— 1st The Introductary Sermon was delivered accord =ing to appointment by Elder George Little on John 4 Ch & latter Clause of the 10 vers and he Would have Given the Living water

—— 2 The delegates Repaired to the house the asso =ciation was opened by singing & Prayer by Elder Archibald Harris then proceeded to business —

—— 3 Called for & Read Letters from the different Churches Enrolled the Delegates & minuted the States of Each Church

As Follows the

Which the Newly added Churches

Order & State of the Churches

Churches	Delegates names	Bapt'd	Rec'd by Letter	Dis'd by Letter	Restor'd	Excom'd	Dead	Communicants	Contributions
Bearcreek	Malachi Harward John Lambert William Eudy Jesse Coly	4	0	0	0	1	2	59	2,00
Freedam	William Coley sen William Coley Jun Richard Poplin	0	0	1	0	0	0	23	2,00
Meadowcreek	Elder George Little Demcy Honeycut Nathan Green	1	0	1	0	0	1	29	1,50
Piney woods	Joseph Pickler Barham Parker Calvan Shaver	1	1	2	0	4	0	24	2,00
Jerusalem	Wily Bannum Ephraim Newsom Cary Tolson	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	1,40
Coldwater	Elder I Snider Noah Carzine Calvin Fargason	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	1,00
Ciderecreek	Elder A Harris Stanford Haire	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	
Little on Bethany	Jesse Jerman	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	1,45

— 4. Received into our Union at this session The following Churches (viz) The Jerusalem Church N.C. A.C. The Coldwater Church N.C. C.C. The Ciderecreek Church N.C. A.C. Little's meeting house Church N.C. A.C. They being found orthodox in the faith & principles of the original

of the Predestinarian Baptists whose State and
Number may be seen on our minutes (Except)
The Coldwater Church whose Number was not
Represented
5 Choose Elder Solomon Snider moderator
and Elder George Little Clerk
6 Called for Corresponding messengers when
upon Elder A. Peacock appeared as a Corresp-
=dent from the abbots creek Union Association
And was Received & invited to a seat
7 Appointed brethren John Lambert Joseph
Pitler Wm Coley & Cary Polsen with the
Moderater & Clerk a Committe of arrangement
& Called for the Circular & name prepared
9 appointed brethren Richard Poplin &
John Lambert a Committe of finance
10 appointed the following brethren to preach
on the morrow Lords day Elders A Barnes S-
Snider G. Little

Ajourned Until monday morning
9 oclock

Sabbath

Was Spent in divotional Exercise Brother A
Harris Commenced the Swices of the day and
Preached from these words the Ransomed of the Lord
Shall Return and Come to Zion, with Songs &
Everlasting Joy upon their heads they Shall obtain
Joy and gladness & Sorrow & sighing Shall flee
Away Isa 35-Ch 10-v Bro I Snider followed on
These words, He brought me into the banqueting
House & his banner over me was Love Sol Songs
2-4- brother A Peacock on these words, Unto
you therefore which believe he is Precious
1-Pet 2-7-

11 met Pursuant to Ajournment the
Association opened by the moderator by
Singing and Prayer Rules of Decorum
Read

—— 12 Called on the Committe of arrangement
To Report — Report Recved & the Committe
Discharged —

—— 13 - Called for Corresponding messengers to
Report & their Report Recved —

—— 14 — Presbytry's Report - Elder George Little
Reported that himself & Elder Ezekiel martan
Constituted a Church Called the Jerusalem
Church in A. C. N. C.

—— 15 — the Committee of finance Report their
Report Recved and the Committe discharged —

—— 16 — appointed Elder George Little & brother
Joseph Pickler Corresponding messengers to
The abbots Creek Union Association, and
Elder Solamon Snider & brethren Barham
Parker & Calvan Fergason to the Maya
Association who shall Correspond by minuty

—— 17 — appointed Elder George Little to prepare
A Circular to attach to our next minutes Leaving
Him at Liberty to Choose his subject

—— 18 — appointed Elder S Snider to preach
The Introductory Sermon —

—— 19 — appointed our Clerk to superintend
The printing & Distributing 150 Copies of our
Minutes & we allow him for his Services
Ten Dollars —

—— 20 — Resolved that our next Association
Convene at Littles meeting house Church N. C.
A. C. on Saturday Before the first Lords day
In October A. D. 1835 —

—— 21st — Resolved that we present this
Neighborhood with our most Sincere
Thanks Connected with our thanks to almigh
= ty God for their hospitality and kindness
Towards its members & friends from a distance
During this Session we pray the Lord to
Reward them accordingly Amen

Adjourned to the time & place

George Little Clerk Solomon Snider Mo

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Of the Beaverdam baptist association Convened
In Syprian according to ajournment at
Bethany Church Anson County N.C. on Saturday
= day before the first Lords day in October
A. D. 1835

——— 1st the Introductory Sermon was
Delivered by Elder George Little from Heb.
11 Chap. 24, 25. 26, verses

——— 2nd Convened in Syprian Read Letters
From Eight Churches Enrolled the messengers
Names & minutes State of Each Church as
Followeth

Churches	Messengers Names	Baptized	R by Letter	D by Letter	Restored	Excomd	Dead	Number members	Contributions
Beaverdam	Hardy Wiggins Hezekiah Hinson Wm Whitley	2	0	0	0	1	1	59	D 6 2 00
Freedam	Wm Coley Isham Coley Wm Burtis	1	0	0	0	1	1	22	1 55
Meadowcreek	Elder Geo Little Reuben Hancyett Lewis Tucker	0	1	0	0	0	1	29	2 00
Piney woods	Joseph Pickler	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1 00
Jerusalem	Wyat Nance Robertson Pistol	0	1	0	0	0	0	13	2 00
Coldwater	Andrew Carzine Saml Carzine	0	0	3	0	2	0	39	1 05
Cedarcreek	Elder A Harris Archibus Harris Cary Bennett	0	1	0	0	2	0	36	2 00
Bethany	Pope Simmons John Weaver	3	0	0	0	2	2	13	2 00
	Total	6	3	3	0	8	5	295	13 60

— 3rd — appointed brethren Wyat Haney
Moderator & Williams & Williams Clerk —
— 4th — Called on Corresponding messengers whereupon
Elder Ayl Peacock Lewis Snider & brethren David Snider
Appeared as Correspondents from the Abbots Creek Union
Association with a packet of minutes & were Received & invited
To seats with us —
— 5th Invited ministering brethren of our faith and
Order to Seats with us whereupon Elder Jacob Helms
Took a seat with us —
— 6th appointed Elder George Little & brethren Andrew
Carriger & Sept Inman with the moderater & Clerk —
A Committe of arrangement
— 7th appointed Robert Dan Pistal & Reuben Hargett
a Committe of finance —
— 8th Called for the Circular — Letter prepared by Elder
George Little which was presented Read & Rec —
— 9th appointed the following brethren to preach on to-
Morrow Lords day — viz, Elders A. Peacock Geo Little & Sa.
Helms. To Commence at 10 oclock A. M.
— 10th the form of Government of this Association was
Read & approved —
— 11th Adjourned Until monday morning 9 oclock

Sabbath

Was spent in devotional Services three Sermons were
Delivered by the brethren appointed. Peacock from
1st Epis of John 3 - 1. Little from Matth. 21 - 29 — Helms
from phil 1 - 6 — to a Large Congregation

— 12th met pursuant to adjournment the Association
Was opened by singing & prayer by A Peacock —
— 13th Rules of decorum Read —
— 14th the Committe of arrangement Report — the
Report Received —
— 15th — the Corresponding messengers who was appoin
— ted to visited Sister Associations Report — & the Report
Received —
— 16th appointed Corresponding messengers to
The Abbots Creek Union Association viz. George
Little & Joseph Pickler —
— 17th appointed Elder A. Harris to preach
the Introductory Sermon —

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—— 18th appointed Elder George Little to prepare a circular to attach to our next minutes

—— 19th appointed Elder Geo. Little to superintend The printing & distribution of 175 copies of The minutes

—— 20th appointed our next association to Convene at the meadow creek Church Montgomery County N.C. to commence on Saturday before the first Lord's day in Oct. 1836—

—— 21st Resolved that this association Return Their most sincere thanks to this Neighbourhood Connected with our thanks to the Great head of The Church for the hospitality & kindness Exercised Towards its members & friends from a distance During this session, we pray the Lord to reward them accordingly Amen—

—— 22nd Adjourned to the time & place

Wm. Williams Clk — Wyat Nance Modr

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Minutes

of the Beaverdam Baptist association convened in session at meadow creek Church Montgomery County N.C. on saturday before the first Lords Day in October A.D. 1836—

—— 1st Introductory sermon was Delivered by Elder Solomon Snider from Mat. 3— & Latter Clause of the 17th — this is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased.

—— 2nd Proceeded to the house the association Opened by prayer Read Letters from six Churches Enrolled the members names And minuted the [illegible] of the Churches As Follows

Order of the Churches—

Churches—	Messengers names	Baptisms	By Dues	By L.	By L.	Rest.e	Excom.d	Dead	Num.r	Contr.n
Beaverdam—	Haston Hatley Conrad Ewdy Hardy Greer	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	60	$2 00
Fredom—	Richard poplin Aaron Russell Wm Coley Sr	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	25	1 50
Meadowcreek—	Demy Kanycutt Sr Reuben Kanycutt	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	2 00
Piney woods—	Jacob Shaver Lefe Hodge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1 00
Jerusalem—	Wyat Nance Robertson Pistol	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	2 00
Bethany—	Jesse Jerman John Weaver	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	1 20
Cedar Creek—	Not Represented No as former	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	00
Caldwater—	Not Represented No as former	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	00
—	Total	6	3	0	0	0	0	1	240	$9 70

—3rd appointed Brethren Wyat Nance Moderator
And Lefe Hodge Clerk
—4th Chose Elder George Little to assist the association
In their business
—5 Called on Corresponding messengers whereupon
= an Elder Azel Peacock Lewis Snider brethren
Henery Rush Peter Riley & David Snider appeared
Corrospondants from the abbot Creek Union
Association & were Recvd & Invited to seats
With us—
—6th appointed R. Pistol & Jerman with
the Moderator & Clerk a Committee of arrangement

7th appointed Hardy Green and Reuben
Haneyett a committe of finance
& the called for the Circular Letter prepared by
Elder George Little which was presented Read
and Received
9th appointed brethren Denny Haneyett &
Reuben Haneyett a committe to appoint brethren
To occupy the Stand on the morrow Lords day
Whereupon E. Davis L. Snider & A Peacock
Were appointed
10 Prayer by Elder Peacock Adjourned
Until the monday morning 9 O, clock
The Sabbath was spent in divotional
Exercise by the brethren appointed
11th Monday morning met according to adjou
=rnment the association opened by prayer
12th called on the committe of arrangement to
Report the Report Received
13 Called on our Corrospanding messengers to
Report whereupon Elder George Little who was
appointed a Corrospanding to the abbots creek
Union association Reported that in consequence
of affliction he failed to attend which Report
Was Received
14th Reappointed to the abbots creek Union
Association Elder George Little. Denny Haneyett
Jesse Hodge & Aaron Russel Corrospanding
Messengers
15 The committe of finance Report
Their Report Recived
16 appointed Elder George Little to superintend
The printing & distributing of 150 Copies of the
Minutes for the association ar Churches and also
25 Copies for freinds who applyd and be
Not belanging to our Association

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17 and also authorised brother Little to pay
George Hodge $1-60 out of the money put in his
Hands
18 Agreed that our next association be held with
The Jerusalem Church Anson County N.C. to
Commence on Saturday before the first Lords day in
October A D 1837
19th appointed Elder George Little to preach
The introductory Sermon to our next Association
20 appointed bro. Wyat Nance the next Circular
Letter to attend to our next minutes
21st Resolved by the association that they
Return their most sincere thanks to the friends of
This vicinity or Neighbourhood for their hospitality
And kindness towards the friends of this body
From a distance during this session and our
Thanks to almighty God for his mercies & favour
Towards us whilst assembled together
22nd adjourned to the time & place

Jesse Hodge Clk Wyat Nance Madr

1837 Minutes
Of the Beaverdam baptist association Convened in
Session with the Jerusalem Church A. C. N.C.
on saturday before the first Lords day in oct. A D 1837

1st The Introductory Sermon was Delivered by Elder
Ashley Swaim from Gob. 23 - 3,4. oh that I knew
Where I might find him that I might Come even
To his Seat I would order my Cause before him.
And fill my mouth with arguments
2 Convened at the house the association was
Opened by praise & prayer by Elder Archibald
Harris, Called for and Read Letters Enrolled
The Messengers Names and minuted the
State of the Churches
As Followeth

Order & State of the Churches

Churches	Messengers Names.	Baptized	Rec'd by Let.	Rec'd by Let.	Restored	Excom'd	Dead	No. of Members	Contributed
Beaver creek	Hardy Wiggins John Lambert John Hartsan	0	0	2	0	3	0	55	$2-00
Freedom	Wm Burris Wm Coley Isham Coley	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	1 30
Meadow creek	El George Little D Kanaut R Kanaut	0	0	0	0	0	1	30	1 88¾
Piney woods	David Sapkley	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1-00
Jerusalem	Cary Tolsan Wily Bacum Ephraim Nusam	0	1	0	0	0	0	15	3 12½
Bethany	El A. Harris Jesse Inman Wm I Williams	1	1	0	0	1	0	14	1 85
Cedar Creek	Intending to Disolve and Join with the Bethany	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	00
Cold water	Not Represented	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	00
Lawyers spring	E L Davis I Marsh Wm Rushing	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	2 50
Watsan	N B Jenkins Wm Brooks	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1-00
	Total	1	2	2	0	4	1	328	14 86¼

3rd Chose Elder George Little moderator and bro William I. Williams Clerk

4th The Lawyer spring & Watsan Churches Petition Letter & messengers for admittance into this body After Examination They being found sound in The faith of the Gospel was Rec'd and manifested

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By the moderator Giving the messengers the Right Hand of fellowship whose Statement & number Stands in the order & State of the Churches

5- Called for Corresponding messengers from Sister associations Whereupon Elders Swaim L. Snider Peacock with brethren D. Snider P. Riley & J. Read Appeared from the abbots Creek Union association And took Seats with the association

6 Appointed brethren John Lambert & Cary Tolson a committe of finance

7. Circular Letter Called for Read & Referred for Revision to Elders G. Little A. Swaim A. Peacock and brother S Marsh with the author

8- Chose Elders A. Swaim, A. Peacock, & L. Snider To occupy the Stands on to-morrow (Lords day)

9- appointed A. Swaim A. Peacock E. Davis With the moderator & Clerk a committe of arrangement

10 Prayer by Elder A Peacock Adjourned Until monday morning 10 O. clock

Sabbath

Was spent as usual in preaching By Elders L Snider A. Peacock & A. Harris to a large assemblage

11 Monday morning met according to adjournment prayer by Elder A Peacock

12 Called on the committe of arrangement to report And the Report Recved

13 The Constitution, Form of Government, Rules of Decorum & Articles of Faith of this association Were Read & Concured in by the Association

14 Corresponding messengers ~~Report~~ to Sister Associations Report Satisfactory

15 appointed Corresponding messengers to the Abbots Creek Union Association. (Viz) brothers G. Little; A. Harris, E. Davis & D. Hannycutt.

16 Whereas the Cold water Church failed to Represent Herself appointed Bl George Little E. Davis & N. B. Jenkins to Attend at Cold water Church & Inquire into the Status & the cause of her non attendance & Report at our next Association

1838
17th The Committe of finance Report they Have Recd
the Sum of $14 85½ Contributed by the Churches at this
Session
18 Called on the Committe appointed to Revise
The Circular letter, Who Recommend the adoption
of the Circular with a few Small additions
19: appointed Elder George Little to write a
Circular to attach to our next minutes
20 appointed Brother N. B. Pemberton to Superintend
The printing & distribution of 200 Copies of the minutes
According to Contribution after Reserving 25 Copies
To Correspond with the Abbots Creek Union Association
21st Agreed that our next Association be held
With the Bethany Church Anson County N. C,
To Commence Saturday before the first Lords day
In October A. D. 1838
22 - Appointed brother E. Davis to preach the
Introductary Sermon to our next Association
23 - Resolved this Association Return their most
Sincere thanks to the friends of this vicinity or neighborhood for their hospitality & kindness Exercised
Towards its friends during the present Session & also our
Most Unfeigned Thanks to almighty God for
The Love Union Harmony & friendship amongst
Them
24 Prayer by Elder L. Snider adjourned to the
Time & Place
William J. Williams Clerk
George Little Moderator

1838

Minutes

of the Bearcreek Baptist Association held with
The Bethany Church Anson County N. C. on
Saturday before the first Lords day in October
A. D. 1838
1st The Introductary Sermon was delivered
According to appointment by Elder Edmond
Davis from 1st Cor, 1 - 26 - for ye see your
Calling brethren how that not many wise
Men after the flesh not many mighty, not
Many Noble are called

2nd After a short Intermission the Association convened in the meeting house & was opened by Elder A Harris by praise & prayer & was organized by Recving & Reading the Letters from the different Churches And Enrolling the messengers names & minuteing the State of the Churches — as Followeth —

Churches	Messengers Names —	Baptized	By Letter	By Letter	Restored	Excluded	Dead	Number of members	Contributions
Bear Creek —	John Lambert Kaptan Kelley — Allen Almand	0	1	0	1	4	1	52	$2-05
Freedam —	Wm Coley — I Coley	0	0	2	0	2	1	20	1-50
Meadow Creek	Bryant Austin — Solaman Burris Demcy Kamyut	0	1	0	0	0	2	29	.1-66½
Piney woods —	Calub Shaver — I Hodge David Saffy	0	0	0	0	1	0	24	1-00
Jerusalem —	E, Hudson — Cary Tolsan	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	2 10
Bethany —	Elder A, Harris — Wm I Williams	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	2-00
Lawyer spring	Elder E, Davis — Wm Bushing	0	3	2	1	1	1	66	2-00
Watsan —	N B Jenkins — I Williams	0	0	1	0	0	1	22	1-00
Grove spring	Wm Hamilton — R Rogers —	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	1-25
Bethlehem —	John Beverly —	Number not known							50
		0	5	5	2	8	6	296	15 06½

3rd Chose Brother B Austen Moderator &
Brother William I. Williams Clerk —

4th The Bethlehem & Grove Spring Churches petition
By letter & messengers for admittance into this body
After Examination they being found sound in the
Faith of the Gospel was Unanimously Recd which
Was manifest by the Moderator Giving the messengers
The Right hand of fellowship whose State may
Be Seen in the State of the Churches —
5— Called for Corresponding messengers from
Sister Associations Whereupon L. Snider, A
Peacock, L. Williams, & L Yang — appeared from
The abbots Creek Union Association & was Recvd &
Took Seats with us —
6 — Appointed N. B. Jenkins & Cary Tolson
A Committee of finance
7 — the Circular Letter called for Read & Referd to
L Snider, A Peacock, A Harris; E. Davis, with the
Moderator & Clerk for Revision, who were appointed
A Committe of arrangement
8 — Chose Eld. L. Snider, A Peacock, to preach on Lord's day
9 — Adjourned till monday morning 9 o'Clock
By Prayer — Sabbath was Spent in Devotional
Exercise by the brethren appointed
10 — Monday morning met according to adjournment
The association was opened by prayer by A Harris.
11 — called on the Committe of arrangement to Report
Report Received
12 — Rules of Decorum Read
13 — Called on Corresponding messengers to Sister
Associations to Report whereupon E. Davis & D
Haney ett Reported that they attended the abbots
Union association & was Cordially Recd the other
Give satisfaction for their non attendance
14 — appointed Corresponding to Sister associations
To the abbots Creek — Marian A. Harris, E Davis,
W Rushing N B Jenkins, & W. L Williams to the
Mayo — E Davis, D Haney ett, W Rushing & B. Austins
15 — the Committe who was appointed at our
Last association to visit the Cold water

Church Called on, they Report that the visited
Said Church & with the order they found her in,
Which Report was not satisfactory of Gospel order
In the whole of her Conduct to the Association
Therefore Resolved by the Association by the Request
of brother Solomon Snider that we wait on the
Cold water Church until our next Association, And also
We appoint as a Committee to visit her, A Harris
E Davis B. Austin W. Bushing & N.B Jenkins and
Report to our next Association

— 16— Called on the Committee of finance to Report Where
Upon they Report they find in the hands of brother N. B.
Jenkins $4-86¼ Recd at this Session $15-06¼ out of
Which we allow brother N. B. Jenkins for his last
Years Service $4— Leaving a balance in the Treasury of
$15—93—

— 17— the Committee who was appointed to Revise the
Circular letter Report that it be Concurred in by the
Association

— 18— Appointed N. B. Jenkins to superintend
The printing & distribution of 350 Copies of the minutes

— 19— Agreed that our next Association be held with
The bear creek ~~Association~~ Church in montgomery
County N. C. Commencing on Saturday before the
1st Lords day in October 1839— and appointed
Elder A Harris to preach the Association Sermon
and in case of failure Elder E. Davis ——

— 20— Appointed E. Davis to prepare a Circular
Letter to attach to our next minutes

— 21— Resolved that this Association Return her
Thanks to the friends of this vicinity for the
Kindness Exercised towards them while sitting
In Council we hope the Lord may Reward them
Graciously

— 22 The Association adjourned to the
Time & place by Prayer

B. Austin moderator

Wm I Williams Clerk

Minutes

1839

of the Bear creek baptist association held with the Bear creek church Montgomery county N.C. on Saturday Before the 1st Lords day in octaber A. D. 1839—

1st The Introductary Sermon was delivered by Elder Edmond L. Davis from the 23 Ps— 1st verse The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want

2— after a short intermision the association convened at the house & was opened by E. L. Davis by praise & prayer—

3— Letters called for read & minutes as follows

Churches	Messengers—	Bapt	Ref	Pres	Sim	Bar	Dea	Num	Contributions
Bear creek—	John Lambert Kasten Kelley Allen Almond	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	$2 00
Meadow creek	Reuben G. Ramsyeur Denny Ramsyeur Daniel Little	0	0	0	1	0	0	34	1-00
Freedam—	William Coley Richard Poplin Aaran Russel	0	0	0	0	1	0	17	—1-00
Piney woods—	Barham Parker Caleb Shaver Jese Hodge John Shaver Sr	0	0	0	4	0	1	19	—75
Jerusalem—	Ephraim Husan Wyat Hance	0	3	0	0	0	1	17	—2-00
Bethany—	Elder A. Harris Jese German Wm J Williams	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	1 25
Lawyer spring	Elder E. L. Davis Wm Rushing Wm Carpenter	0	1	1	3	1	0	65	2 00
Walsan—	Daniel Jenkins N B. Jenkins	0	2	0	0	1	3	20	1-00
Grove spring	Wm Hamiltan Richard Rogers Thomas Higgall	0	0	1	0	0	0	18	1-00
Bethlehem—	Not Represented								
Coldwater—	Philip Snider Solomon Snider Alexan Ales	5	0	0	0	0	0	35	1 12½
		5	6	2	8	3	5	291	13- 12½

— 4 Chose brother N. B. Denbens Moderator and
Williams D. Williams - Clerk
— 5 - Called for Corrosponding messengers from sister
Associations where upon L. Snider A Peacock &
Young, J, Dedmans, P, Riley & I. Hodge, appeared from
The abbots Creek Union
— 6 - the Reference as Regards the Coldwater Church
From last association taken up & Referred until
The next association
— 7 - appointed W Hamilton A Almond a Committe
of finance
— 8 The Circular Letter Called for but not prepared
— 9 - appointed E, L, Davis A Peacock & W Nance
With the moderator & Clerk a Committe of arrangement
— 10 appointed E L Davis L Snider & A Peacock
To preach tomorrow
— 11 — Adjourned Till monday 9 o'clock A.M
By prayer
Sabbath was Spent in preaching by the
Brethren appointed
— 12 - Met according to adjournment the association opened
By Prayer by Elder Edmond L Davis
— 13 - The Committe of arrangement Report — the
Report Received
— 14 - the Rules of Decorum Read
— 15 — Called on Corrosponding messengers to sister
To Report — the Report Received —
— 16 — Called on the Committe who was appointed
To visit Cold water Church to Report — who Report
That they visited said Church & the Church considered
Herself Justifiable in the act she has done the
Report Received as the duty of the Committe
And the Committe discharged
— 17 — the difficulty that was & is Existing between
The Coldwater Church & the Corrospondent by Request
of the Contending parties is Given up Entirely them
To settle within themselves if there is any way possible
And Report to the next association
— 18 - Called on the Committe of finance to Report
They Report that they find in the hands of the
Treasurer the sum of $3 - 93 Rec'd at this Session
$13 - 12½ which makes a Total of $17 - 85½ out of
Which we allow N. B Denbens $3 - for superintendin

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1840
The printing of the minutes of our last association leaving
A ballance of $14-15½ the Report Rec'vd & the Committe
Discharged
19- Agreed that brother N.B. Jenkins write the next
Circular Letter to attach to our minutes
20- We agree to hold a Corrospondence with the
Mayo association by minutes & not messengers—
21- We appoint our beloved brethren messengers
To Corrospond with the abbots Creek Union association
Elder's E L Davis George Little with W. Nance N.B.-
Jenkins, W Hamilton & Demcy Haneycut
22nd- Agreed that our next association be held with
The watson Church anson County N.C. 24 miles
West of wadesboro to Commence on Saturday
Before the first Sabbath in october 1840
Elder E.L. Davis to preach the Introductory Sermon
In case of failure Elder George Little
23- Agreed that N.B. Jenkins be appointed
To superintend the printing & distribution of
250 Copies of our minutes awarding to Contribution
24- Agreed that our body present their
Thanks to thes Neighbourhood for their kindness
on the present occation
25 after prayer by. Lenoir adjourned to
The time and place N B Jenkins mod-
W I Williams Clerk

1840

Minutes

of the bearcreek Baptist association held with
Watson Church Ansan County N.C. on Saturday before
The first Lords day in octobr 1840
1st the Introductary Sermon was delivered awarding
To appointment by Elder Edmond L Davis from Isa.
35- 5- the Eyes of the blind shall be opened and
The Ears of the deaf shall be unstopped
2- then the association convened in the house
And was opened by praise & prayer by Elder E.L.
Davis and was organized by Reciving and
Reading Letters from the Different Churches
And Enrolling the messengers Names and

Minuting the State of the Churches as follows—

Churches	Messengers names	Bapt'd	R. to	D. to	Excm	Dism	Restor'd	Present Members	Rec'd by a Decent of faith
Bar Creek	Hasten Hatley John Marlard Allan Almond	0	2	0	0	0	1	49	
Meadow Creek	Reuben Kennycutt Solem Burris Hezekiah Kirin	0	2	0	0	0	0	39	
Freidam	William Burris William Coley Isham Coley	1	0	1	0	0	0	19	2
Piney woods	David Sapphley	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	
Jerusalem	Wyat Nance Cary Tolson	0	1	0	4	2	0	11	
Bethany	Elder A Harris Jesse German	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	
Lawyer spring	Elder E. L. Davis Wm M Rushing Solamon Marsh	0	1	0	1	1	0	63	
Watsan	N. B Jenkins Daniel Jenkins Robert Janes	0	0	3	0	0	0	17	
Grove spring	Thos Nugall Wm Hamilton Richard Rogers	0	1	0	0	0	0	17	
Bethlehem	Not Represented	1	7	4	5	3	1	228	2

3 - Appointed N. B Jenkins Moderator and Robert Janes Clerk -

4 - Appointed Wm Hamilton & allen Almond a Committee of finance

5 - appointed E. L Davis Wm M Rushing Solamon Marsh And Wyat Nance with the moderator a Committee of Arrangement

6 - Circular called for Read & Referred to the Committee of arrangement for Revision

7 - Appointed Elders E L Davis George Little & Wm M Rushing to preach on Tomorrow

— of the association adjourned Untill monday
— Morning 10, o clock Prayer by E L Davis —
Sabbath
The three brethren appointed attended and
Preached to a Large Congregation
— 9. Met according to adjournment the after
=noon opened by Prayer by Elder George Little
— 10. Called on the Committee arrangement to Report
And their Report Recvd —
— 11 — Invited Elder George Little to a Seat with us
Which was Excepted
— 12 — Called on Correspondents to Report whereupon
Elder E L Davis with N B Jenkins & Dimry Kanycutt
Who were appointed Correspondents at our last
Association to the abbots Creek Association Report
That they attended said Association and were Ejected
And also produced as the Charge of Ejection part
of the 4th Item in the abbots Creek Union
Association Minutes of 1840 — which was Read
And Extracted here a follows Elder E L Davis &
Brethren N B Jenkins & D Kanycutt appeared
From Bear Creek Association & from the Circum
=stance of a Church of that body Receiving an
Excommunicated member from our body into
Fellowship & that Association Retaining that Church
In fellowship we believe it our Duty not to Recve
Them as Correspondents & withdraw our Correspon
=dence from them while they Retain that Church
In her present Disorder, Which Charge we deny
as Unjust as may be seen by having Recourse
To our former Minutes
— 13 — The case of the ~~Town~~ Coldwater Church taken up
Which was Referred to Cane Creek Church & the Cold water
Church at our last Association for Satisfaction which was
Not obtained as Shown by the Declaration of the
Messengers of the Cold water Church and yet Consider
=ing themselves Justifiable — The Association believing
Her in an Error withdraws from her

1841

— 14th the Committee of finance Report they find

In hand $7-05½

Recvd at this Session 10 00

17 05½

Out of which we allow A B Jenkins for superintending & distributing our minutes for 1839 $3-00

Leaving a ballance in hand of 14-05½

— 15- Appointed brother George Little to write a Circular Letter to attach to our next minutes

— 16- appointed our next association to be held with The Lawyer Spring Church Anson County N. C.

— 17- appointed Elder George Little to preach the Introductory Sermon to our next association

— 18 appointed A B Jenkins to Superintend the Printing & distributing of 200 Copies of our minutes

— 19- Whereas the Bethlehem Church failed to Represent Herself in our two Last associations agree to appoint Wm M Rushing & Isse German to visit said Church And Report at our next association

— 20- Resolved by the association that they Return Their thanks to the vicinity of this neighborhood for The kindness Excised Towards the Congregation During this Session

— 21- Brother Rushing prayed adjourned to The the time & place

Robert Danes Clerk

A. B. Jenkens Modr.

1841 Minutes

of the beaverdam association Held with the Lawyer Spring Church Anson County N. C. on Saturday Before the 1st Lord's day in october 1841 —

— 1st the Introductary Sermon was Delivered accordeing to appointment by Elder Geo. Little from Mark 16- 17- and these signs shall follow Them that believe, in my name they shall cast out Devils; they shall speak with new tongues They shall take up serpents; and if they drink Any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they Shall lay hands on the sick; and they shall Recover

— 2.- the association then convened and

Was opened by praise and prayer by John Lambert and was organized by Receiving & Reading Letters from the different Churches & Enrolling The Messengers names & minuting the state of The Churches as Follows—

Churches—	Messengers Names—	Reg. by Decent	Baptis'd	R. by Let.	Dismissed	Excl'd	Dead	Restor'd	Total	
Bear creek—	Easter Hatley Wm Whitley Allen Almand	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	49	
Meadow creek—	R. G. Haney Lewis Tucker Solaman Burns	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	38	
Freedam—	Aaran Russel Wm Coley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	
Piney woods—	Jesse Hodge David Sapley Caleb Shaver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	
Jerusalem—	Wyatt Nance Cary Tolsan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	
Bethany—	Elder, A. Harris	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	13	
Lawyers spring	Amos Hames William Marsh Wm Carpenter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	
Watsan—	Elder George Little N B Jenkens Robert Janes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	
Groves spring—	Enoch Griffin Wm Hamilton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	
Bethlehem—	Not Represented	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	242	

— 3— appointed Nathen B Jenkens Moderator and Robert Janes Clerk—

— 4— appointed Elder George Little Wyatt Nance William Marsh Cary Tolsan with the moderator and Clerk a Committee of Arrangement

— 5— Appointed Wm Hamilton and Allen Almand a Committee of finance

— 6— the Circular Letter Called for and none Prepared & in place there of a part of abraham

Bro Ths writting was Reammended which is left to the
Committee of arrangement to Chose a part & Read to
The association on monday morning —
— 7- appointed Elders, Little, Davis, & Lambert to preach
To Morrow —
— 8 The association Adjourned Until monday
Morning 10 o, clock prayer by Elder George Little
The Sabbath was Spent in preaching by the
Brethren appointed
— 9 the association met according to adjournment
Prayer by Elder George Little
— 10 Called on the Committee of arrangement
To Report & there Report Received
— 11 — Rules of Decorum Read
— 12 - the Committee finance called on to
Report — they Report that they find in the
Hands of the Treasurer five & half cts ℔ — 5½
Recvd from the Churches this session 10 50
10,55½
— 13 - the Messengers appointed to visit
The Bethlehem Church called on to Report Bro,
Wm McRushing Reports that he visited said
Church & found her much Scattered & not keeping
up Gospel Discipline but appeared Desirous to do so
We therefore Request and admonish our ministering brethren
Belonging to this association to visit said Church as
often as they can & we authorise them so to do &
Report to our next association
— 14 — Whereas the piney wood Church has heretofore
Received Lewis Snider as a pastor — a minister belonging
To the abbots Creek Union association & that association
Having no Correspondance with us in Consequence of a Charge she
Made on our body in her minutes of 1840 — We therefore
Admonish that Church our Sister to Reject him or any
of the ministering from that association Until a Reconciliation
Takes place or the Existing Embarrasment Removed —
— 15 appointed our next association to be held with the
Meadow Creek Church Stanly County N C —
— 16. appointed Elder E L Davis to preach the Introductory
Sermon to our next association
— 17 - appointed Elder George Little to write a Circular
Letter to attach to our next minutes
— 18 — appointed N B Jenkins to superintend the printing &
distributing of 400 Copies of our minutes
Robert Lones Clerk
N B Jenkins Modr —

1842 Minutes

of the Bear Creek Baptist association Convened in Depian with the Meadow Creek Church Stanly County N. C. on Saturday Before the 1st Lords day in October A. D. 1842—

1st The Introductary Sermon was according to Appointment Delivered by Elder Edmond L Davis from John 6—37— All that the father Giveth me Shall Came to me, And him that Cometh I will in no wise Cast out

2— The association Convened in the meeting House and was opened by Singing & prayer by Wm M. Rushing & was organized by Reciving & Reading the Letters from the Different Churches And Enrolling the Messengers names and minutes & The State of the Churches as follows—

Churches	Messengers names	R. by Dec & Lett	Bapt'd	R. by Letter	Dis. Letter	Excl'd	Dead	Restor'd	Number of Members
Bear Creek	John Lambert William Whitley Allen Almond	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49
Meadow Creek	Reuben J Honeycutt Nathan Green Lewis Tucker	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	25
Freedam	Isham Coley William Burris	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Piney woods	(Not Represented)								
Jerusalem	Lary Tolson Wyatt Nance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Bethany	(Not Represented)								
Lawyer spring	Elder E L Davis Hosea Presslar	2	3	0	1	2	1	0	65
Watson	N. B. Jenkins Daniel Jenkins Marty Chisnut	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Grove spring	Wm Hamilton Richard Rogers	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	17
Bethlehem	Wm. M. Rushing as a help Delegate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
		2	3	0	2	3	3	0	222

— 3— Appointed N. B. Jenkins Moderator & Cary Tolson Clerk
— 4— Appointed— E, L. Davis W, M. Bushing & Lambert H
Preslar with the Moderator & Clerk a Committee of
Arrangements—
— 5— Appointed William Hamilton and Richard Rogers
A Committee of finance
— 6— the Circular called for and none produced
— 7— Appointed Elders E, L Davis, W, M, Bushing, and H
Preslar to Preach tomorrow— Adjourned till monday 10 o'clock
— The Sabbath was Divoted to preaching by the
Brethren who was appointed
— 8— The association met according to adjournment
And Was opened by praise & prayer by E. L. Davis
— 9— Messengers names Called & Rules of Decorum Read
— 10— the Committee of arrangement Report— the Report
Recved
— 11— The Committee of finance Report that they find

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	10	42½
Hand	10—	98

Recved at this Sepsion

The Report Recd & the Committee Discharged —
— 12— The ministering brethren who were appointed to
visit the Bethlehem Church Report by Wm M Bushing
Who visited said Church. The Reason they did not send
Their Letter was for the want of some white male
Member to bear it & he also Stated they have Recd one
Member but not Baptised in Consequence of no
opportunity for want of a Regular ordained minister
To administer the ordenance
— 13— the Piney woods Church having failed Represent
Herself in this Present association Appointed Jo hn
Lambert Isham Coley & Reuben Ramsey to said Church
And Report at our next association
— 14— We appoint our next association to be held with
The Grove spring Church Ansan County N.C. to Commence
on Saturday before the first Sabbath in octobr A.D. 1843—
— 15— appointed Elder E, L. Davis to prepare a Circular
Letter to attach to our next minutes
— 16— appointed N. B. Jenkins to Superintend the
Printing & distribution of 125 Copies of the minutes of
of the association according to Contribution & we allow
Him five Dollars for his Services the two Last years

— 18— this association agree to Return its thanks
To the friends of this Neighborhood or county for
Their kindness— towards from a distance during this sepian
— 19— Adjourned to the time & place by prayer &
Prayer by Hosea Presplar—
Cary Tolsan Clk— N. B Jenkins Moder—

1843 Minutes of the Bear creek Baptist Association Convened in Sepian
With the Grove spring Church Marion County N. C. on
Saturday before the 1st Lords day in october A. D. 1843—
— 1st The Introductory Sermon was according to appoint-
=ment Delivered by Edmond Davis from 1st Tim. 1—15=
— 2— Association Convened & was opened by praise &
Prayer by Elder George Little & organized by Reeving ~~the~~
and reading Letters from the Churches the State of Each
Church as Follows—

Churches	Messengers	by Sermon	by Letter	R. by Letter	D. by Letter	Ex'd	dismissed	Rest'd	No. of Members
Bear Creek	John Lambert John martan Wm Eudy	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	48
Meadow creek	Demcy Kanegut Nathen Green	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	25
Freedam	Wm Coley Isham Coley	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	18
Jerusalem	Cary Tolsan Wyatt Nance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Bethany	(Not Represented)								
Lawyer spring	Elder E. L. Davis Wm M Rushing Hosea Presplar	4	2	1	0	1	1	1	71
Watson	Elder George Little N B Jenkins Robert Jones—	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	16
Groves spring	Enoch Griffin Thomas Hugall Richard Rogers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Bethlehem	John Rite	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	19
Pinywoods	Dismissed the abbots Creek Union Association	4	4	1	2	0	6	1	225

— 3 — appointed N B Jenkins Mod^r & Cary Tolson Clerk
— 4 — appointed E L Davis, R. Preslar, J. Morton, W. Cudy
With the Moderator & Clerk a Committee of arrangement
— 5 — appointed J. Little, & R. Rogers a Committee of finance
— 6 — The Circular Letter called for and none prepared whereupon the association agreed to attach a Circular of the Yorkboro (Mi) primitive baptist Association to our minutes
— 7 — appointed Elders J. Little, E.L. Davis & R. Preslar To preach on tommorrow to Commence 10. o. clock
— & the association adjourned Until monday morning 8 10. o. clock by prayer — The Sabbath was spent in Preaching by the Brethren who was appointed —
— 9 The association met according to adjournment Prayer by E. L. Davis
— 10 — the Committee of arrangement Report — & The Report Received
— 11 — The Committee finance Report they find in The hands of the Treasurer — — — — — — $ — 98
Received from the Churches at this Session — 8 — 72½
An Extra Contribution — — — — — — — — 2 — 25
Whole amount — — — — $11 — 95½
— — 12 — The brethren appointed to visit the Piney Woods Church at our Last Session Report that said Church has Joined the abbots Creek Union Association
— — 13 — Whereas the Correspondence between The abbots Creek Union & bear Creek Associations Have been Dissolved, This Association Unanimously agrees to send messengers to the abbots Creek Association to bring about a Reconciliation if there is any way possible according to Gospel order or Discipline So that a Correspondence might take place again Between the two associations, whereupon we appoint of our brethren (viz) Elders George Little, Edmond L — Davis, Wm Mc Rushing, Rosea Preslar & N. B. Jenkins To visit their next association & Report at our next Association
— — 14 — Whereas the Bethany Church has failed to Repre = sent herself at our two Last associations, we appoint Elders George Little Wm Mc Rushing & Rosea Preslar To visit said Church & Report to our next Association —

15— we agree that our next association be held
With the Freedam Church Stanly County N.C. to Commence
on friday before the first Lords day in October 1844—
16— We appoint Wm Rushing to preach the Introdu
=ctory Sermon in case of failure Et. George Little
17— appointed Elder Hosea Presplar to write a Circular
Letter to attach to our next minutes
18— appointed N. B. Jenkins to Superintend the
Printing & Distributing 125 of the minutes according to
Contribution we agree that he Retain 15 Copies of
The minutes to present to the abbots Creek Messen
Association
19— We agree that we present the Divinity of
Grove spring Church with our thanks for their kindness
On the present occation—
20— Adjourned to the time & place, Prayer
By Elder Hosea Presplar—
Cary Tolson Clerk— N. B. Jenkins Mod—

1844 Minutes of the Bear Creek association Convened

In Session at Freedam Church Stanly County N.C,
On Friday before the first Lords day in October A.D, 1844
1st The Introductory Sermon was Delivered according to
Appoint by Elder William M. Rushing from John 5—25
The hour is coming & now is when the dead shall hear the
voice of the Son of God & they that hear shall Live—
2— the association then Convened and was opened
By singing & prayer by W. M. Rushing & was organized by
Reciving & Reading the Letters from the Churches & Enrolling
The Messengers names & Minuteing the State of Each
Church as Follows—

Churches—	Messengers	No. by Delegate	Baptism	Baptized	By Letter	By Letter	Excluded	Dead	Total	Contributions	Contributions
Bear Creek—	John Lambert Jesse Coley Reuben Whitley	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	37	2-57¼	
Meadow Creek—	Nathan Green Robert Bigger Denny Haneycutt	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	23	—66¼	
Freedam—	Wm Caley sr Wm Caley Jr—	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	—80	

Jerusalem	Wyatt Nance Cary Tolson	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	13	1 50
Bethany	Jesse Gannon Neavel Bennett	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	1 50
Lawyer Springs	El Hosea Preslar El Wm M Rushing El. E, L, Davis	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	73	3.82½
Watson	El George Little Robert Lanes Danl Jenkins Wm Brooks	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	19	1 50
Grove Spring	Wm Hamilton Thos Stugall Enoch Griffin	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	15	2 00
Bethlehem	John Wright Allen Carpenter	0	0	7	0	0	0	1	26	2 03¾
Lanes Creek	Stephen Huntly Obediah Sinclear Benj-C Ashcraft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	1 50
		3	0	15	0	2	2	7	261	18 13¾

— 3- Chose Hosea Preslar Moderator & Cary Tolson Clerk
— 4- The Lanes Creek Church Petition by Letter and Messengers for admittance into this body & the Letter from That Church give full satisfaction without any further Examination & said Church was Received into this body by The Moderator giving the Messengers the right hand of Fellowship & they took seats with us whose Number May be seen on the State of the Churches
— 5— Called for Corresponding messengers when Upon Azel Peacock & Newton Rush apeared as Corrospondents from the abbots creek Union Appoi=
=ntion who were Received & took their seats
— 6- appointed A. Peacock, N. Rush, W. Hamilton W. M. Rushing with the Moderator & Clerk a Committee Arrangements-
— 7- Appointed Neavel Bennett & Benjamen C. Ashcraft a Committee of finance
— 8- The Circular Letter Called for, & Referred to the Committee of arrangements
— 9- The Association Adjourned Until to Saturday 10 o'clock A. M. by A. Peacock

—— 10— the association Met on Saturday morning accor-
=ding to adjournment & was opened by Prayer &
Prayer by A Peacock
—— 11— The Committee of arrangement Report — which
Report was Received
—— 12— The Committee Report, They find in the
Treasury —— $ .. 95½
Sent up by the Churches to this session —— 18 18¾
Total $19-93¾

The above Report Received & Committee Discharged
—— 13— Brother Presley who was one of the Brethren
appointed to visit the Bethany Church Reports that
Cause of her not Representing herself was in
Consequence of the afflictions of her Pastor
—— 14— Called on the brethren who were appointed
To visit the abbots Creek Union association to
Report — Whereupon Brother Presley Reports that
Himself Brother Little & Brother N. B Perkins
Attended said association & after Going into a
Full Investigation of the difficulty that Existed
Between the two associations They agree Unanim-
=ously that Correspondence again take place
—— 15— Appointed to the abbots Creek Union
Association as Corresponding Messengers (viz) Hosea
Presley Wm M. Rushing B. C. Ashcraft Cary Tolson
And William Hamilton
—— 16— We agree that our next association be held
With the Jerusalem church Anson County N. C.
Commencing on Saturday Before the 4th Lords
Day in September A. D. 1845—
—— 17— We appoint Brother Hosea Presley
To preach the Introductary Sermon—
—— 18— Appointed brother William. M. Rushing
To Prepare a Circular Letter to attach to our
Next Minutes
—— 19— Appointed Brother Robert Sanes to Super-
=intend the printing & Distributing of 200 Copies
of the Minutes amongst the Different Churches
According to Contribution & also to add in
The Sabbath Services
—— 20— Appointed the following brethren to

To preach to morrow (being Sabbath (viz) A Peacock
H. Presslar and William McBushing —
— 21 We agree to Return our thanks to this Neigh
=borhood & vicinity for their kindness towards us
on this present occation
— 22 — The association Adjourned to the time
Place by A Peacock.
Cary Tolson Clerk Hosea Presslar Moder

The Sabbath following was spent in Preaching by
The Brethren who was appointed

1845 Minutes of the Bear Creek Baptist assoc
=ation Convened in session at the Jerusalem
Church Anson County N.C, on Saturday Before
The 4th Lord's day in September A.D. 1845 —
— 1st the Introductory Sermon was Delivered
According to appointment by Elder Hosea Presslar
From Ecc. 20 to 24
— 2 — after a short Intermission the association
Convened & was opened by Praise & prayer by Elder
George Little & was organized by Choosing & Reading Letters
From the different Churches & Enrolling the messen
Names and minuting the State of the Churches as
As follows —

Churches & Counties	Messengers Names	Bap's by Journ	Baptis'd	Rec'd by Let	Rec'd by Let	Exd	Dead	Total	Contributions	Nearest Post office
Bear Creek Stanly Co NC	El John Lambert Wm Ewdy John McLean	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	45	1.50	Albemarle
Meadow creek Stanly Co NC	Solomon Burrus	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	21	1 00	Albemarle
Freedom Stanly Co NC	Wm Coley Wm Beres	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	4/	Albemarle
Jerusalem Anson Co NC	Drury Williams Cary Tolson	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	14	1.20	Hammonds Store
Bethany A C NC	Neal Bennett Wm Sanders	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	17	1 50	Wadesboro
Lawyers Spring	El Hosea Presslar W H Rushing Amey Manes	0	0	0	4	1	2	0	66	2 00	Lanesboro

Watauga Union Co N.C	Elder George Little N B Sentens	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	21	1.00	Sentiment
Grove Spring Union Co N.C	Enoch Griffin Wm Hamiltare Elect K Sendiar	0	5	7	0	0	1	0	26	1.75	Sentiment
Bethlehem Union Co N.C	John Pete Allen Carpenter	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	26	1.65	Evidentiary
Lanes creek Union Co N.C	Stephen Huntly J. L. Marsh Brittin Parker	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	21	1.50	Lanes Creek
High Hill Union Co N.C	Daniel Huggett Joel. Helms	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	50	manuscript
		21	13	7	6	4	5	4	314	14 11½	

3 Chose Elder George Little Moderator & Cary Tolson Clk

4 The High hill Church Petition by Letter & Messengers For admittance into this body, and their Letter Giving Satisfaction of their faith and order She was Received by the Moderator Extended to her messengers the Right hand of Fellowship & Invited them to a seat with us

5 Called for Corresponding Messengers Whereupon A Peacock, J. Reed, J Harrison, & B Wright, appeared as Correspondents from the abbots creek Union Association, and Were Received & took their seats

6 Invited Ministering brethren of the same faith & Order to a seat with us E. L Davis Excepted the Invitation

7 Appointed Ec. K Presler Thos L Marsh, A. Peacock & B. Wright with the Moderator and Clerk a Committee of Arrangements

8 Appointed Brethren N. B. Sentens & William Hamiltare a Committee of finance

9 The Circular Called for & the brethren appointed at Last Association to write one failed & offered his Reasons And also Recommended an Extract of the Circular of the Correspondence Association which was Referred to the Committee of arrangements

10 Chose Ec George Little E.L. Davis. A Peacock to preach on tomorrow to Commence at 10 oclock A M.

11 Adjourned Until Monday morning 9 oclock

Pray by E L Davis

~~12~~ the Sabbath was spent in divine Service by
The Brethren appointed
13- Monday morning 9 oclock the Association met
according to adjournment and was opened by Brain
& prayer by J- Little
14 the Committe of arrangements Report & their Report
Recved
15- Read the Rules of Decorum
16- Called for Corresponding messengers to Report
Brother William Hamitton Reports that himself Ed R
Preslar & B.C. Ashcraft attended the abbots Creek Union
Association as Corresponding and ware cordially Recved
17- appointed E.s J Little E, L. Davis R Pressler ~~Hamilton~~
M. Bushing Brethren obed R Sinclair
N B Jenkins Wm ~~Hamilton~~ & Cary Tolson
as Corresponding to the abbots Creek Union
Association
18- Agreed to open a Corrospondance with
The South Carolina Primitive association & appoin
ted Eds J. Little R Pressler W. M. Bushing & brother
Obed R. Sinclair to open the Corrospondance
By Letter
19- Called on the Committee to whom the
Circular was Refered the Circular Recommended
and adapted
20- The Committe of finance Report that
Funds on hand ---------- $ 9-09¼
Recved at this Session ---------- 14-11¼
Making in fund ---------- 23-20¼
21 agreed that we allow Brother N. B Jenkins
For his services
For three years $9-00 also we allow Brother Robert
Lanes for his services Last year $3-00 Leaving a
Ballance of $11-20¼ in Treasury
22- Elder E, L Davis that himself Elders J. Little &
R Pressler formed a presbytery & Constituted a
Church in Chesterfield District S.C. Called Sandy Run
23- appointed Brother Cary Tolsan of the
Association
24- agreed that our next association be
Held with the Beaverdam Church Stanly

County N.C. to commence on Saturday before
The fourth Lords Day in September 1846- Elder
Wm M. Rushing to preach the Introductory
Sermon.
25- Appointed Elder George Little to write
A Circular to attach to our next Minutes
26- Appointed brother Thos L. Marsh to
Superintend the printing of 250 copies of our
Minutes & distribute 200 copies to the different
Churches acording to their Contributions Reserving
50 copies for our Corrospanding Associations
27- Agreed that we Return our Cordial
Thanks to the Inhabitants of this vicinity for
Their kindness on the present occation
28 Adjourned to the time & place afore
named Praise & prayer by E. E. L. Davis

Cary Tolson C.C.

George Little moderator

Minutes of the bear creek

Baptist Association at her fifteenth anniversary held with the Bear Creek Church Stanly County N.C. Commencing on Saturday before the fourth Lords day in September 846

1 The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder George Little from the 119 Psalm 1st verse Blessed are the undefiled in the way who walk in the Law of the Lord

2 After a recess of a few minutes the Association met in the meeting house and was opened by praise and prayer by Elder H. Brysler Received and read letters from the different churches and minutes the state of the churches as follows

Churches

Bear Creek

Meadow Creek

Freedom

Jerusalem

Bethany

Lawyers Spring

Watson

Grove Spring

Bethlehem

Lanes Creek

High Hill

Liberty Hill

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Churches	Counties and nearest Post office	Messengers	Restored	Baptized	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Amount for Ministers
Bearcreek	Stanly Co Albemarl	Eld L Lambert Malachi Harwood	0	2	2	10	0	0	36	$ 1.00
Meadow Creek	Stanly Co Albemarl	Ezekiah Herrin	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	50
Freedom	Stanly Co Albemarl	Wm Coley Wm Burris	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	47
Jerusalem	Anson Co Hammons Store	Not represented	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	
Bethany	Anson Co Wadesboro	Revd Bennet Wm Sanders	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	1.25
Lawyers Spring	Anson Co Lanesboro	Eld H Proffelar Wm M Rushing Amos Manoo	0	0	0	1	1	2	63	1.97
Watson	Union Co Jenkins Store	Armstead Helms Winburn Jenkins	0	2	0	2	0	2	18	
Grove Spring	Union Co Jenkins Store	Eld G Little O H Sinclair Wm Hamilton	0	2	1	4	2	0	23=23	1.51
Bethlehem	Anson Co Cedar Hill	John Rete A Carpenter	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	1 01
Lanes Creek	Union Co Lanes Creek	S Huntly T L Marsh B C Ashcraft	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	1.50
High Hill	Union Co Monroe	E. Helms Jacob Helms	0	1	0	0	0	1	45	85
Liberty Hill	Stanly Co Albemarl	L K Hunnicut Solm Burris							11	75
		Total	0	7	3	17	4	5	314	

3) Reelected Elder George Little Moderator and Thos L Marsh clerk

4 Extended an invitation to Churches desireous to unite with us the Liberty Hill Church new by constituted in Stanly county N.C. presented a letter praying admitance into this body was received and the right hand of fellowship extended to her delegate Levi K Hunnicut by the Moderator

5 Called for correspondents from sister associations Asiel Appeared from the Abbots Creek Union ~~Association~~ with a peice of minutes and was cordially received and took a seat with us

6 Apponted Obed H. Sinclair Wm Hamilton and Elder Tosca Preslar with the Moderator and Clerk a committe of arrangement

7 Circular letter called for and refered to the committee of Arrangment

8 Apponted D. H. Sinclair and Winburn Jenkins a committee of finance

9 Elected Elders G. Little Asael Peacock and H Preslar to preach tomorrow service to commence at 10 oclock A M

Sabbath — Was spent in devotional exercise The brethren apponted to preach attended a the stand Brother Peacock commenced the service and preached from 20th chapt of Acts 28th verse Take heed therefore unto yourselves and to all the flock over the which the ~~Holly~~ Holy Ghost hath made you overseers to feed the Church of God which he hath purchased with his own blood. Brother Preslar followed from 1st Peter 5th Chap and 7th verse — Casting all your care upon him for he careth for you Brother Little closed the service from 72nd Psalm and 12 verse For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the Poor also and him that hath no helper The word was dispensed in much faithfulness to a large and attentive congregation some of whom appeared deeply affected and we hope much good may result from the labours of this day

Monday morning 9 oclock

11 The Association met according to adjournment and was opened by opened by praise and prayer by the Moderator

12 The committee of arrangement report — Report recieved and the committe discharged

13 Read the rules of Decorum

14 Whereas from reports there was an error committed by the High Hill Church in her petitionary letter to our last Association which error is acknowledged by her at this Association but failing to give satisfaction therefor agreed that we reject her messengers until satisfaction be obtained and by the request of

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said messengers we appoint a committee to wait them
and report to next Association consisting of Elders S
Little H. Prefslar Wm M. Rushing and brethren Ezekiah
Harrin and T.L. Marr

15 Called on correspondents to sister associations to report
Brother Prefslar reports that himself & Little Wm M
Rushing and D. H. Sinclair attended the South Carolina
Primitive association and ware cordially received and
opened a correspondence with them Also that himself
and brother D.H. Sinclair attended the Abbots creek Union
Association and ware cordially received

16 Called on Presbytery to report Elder John Lambert reports
reports that himself and Elder Wm M. Rushing was called
=ed and formed a presbytery and constituted a church
in Stanly County called Liberty Hill

17 Appointed the following brethren Messengers to sister
Associations To Abbots Creek Union H Prefslar D H
Sinclair E Herrin and Levi H Hunnecut To the
South Carolina Primitive Association S Little
H. Prefslar Wm M Rushing and T.L. Marsh – T.L. Marsh
to wright the corresponding letter

18 The committee to whom the circular letter was referred
recommended its addoption and being read was ap
=proved and ordered to be attached to these Minutes

19 The committee of finance report they find on hand
$2.20
Received this session 12.11¼
to B. $14.31¼

20 Agreed that we allow our clerk $3 for his service
last year

21 Agreed that our next association be held with the
Bethlehem church in Anson county N.C. to commence
on saturday before the Lords day in September 1847 and
that Elder S. Little Preach the introductory sermon

22 Appointed Elder H Prefslar to prepair a circular to attach
to our next Minutes

23 Appointed our clerk to superintend the printing
of 250 copies of these minutes and distribute 200
copies to the churches according to their contribution

24 Agreed that we return our thanks to the brethren and
people of this vicinity for their hospitality and

kindness during our present session

25 Adjourned to the time and place of our next Associa
tion Prayer by Elder Peacock George Little Moder
-ator

T. L. Mark clk

Churches

Bear creek

Minutes of the
Bear Creek Baptist Association Met
sixteenth anniversary held with the
Bethlehem Church Anson County N C
commencing on Saturday before the fourth
Lords day in September 1847

Meadow branch
freedom

Jerusalem

The Introductory sermon was delivered
according to appointment by Elder George
Little from Psalms the 69th Chapter 35 verse
For god will save zion and will build
the cities of Judah that they may dwell
there and have it in possession

Bethany

Laurelsprings

Watson

After a short recess the Association
convened in the house and was opened
by praise and prayer by Elder H
Prestar Received and read letters from
the different Churches Enrolled the
Messengers names and minuted the
State of the Churches as follows

grove Spring

Bethlehem

James Creek

High Hill

Liberty Hill

Sandy run

Churches	Counties & nearest post offices	Messengers Names	Restored	Baptised	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Amount for Minutes
Bear creek	Stanly Albemarle	Elder J Lambert John Morton William Cody.	0	0	0	0	3	0	33	1 - 10
Meddow branch freedom	ditto ditto ditto	Heveren William Coley William Burnes	1	0	0	0	0	0	23	1 - 06 1/4
Jerusalem	Anson Commons Store	Gary Jolson Dell Williams	0	0	0	0	0	2	18	4 - 0 1 - 00
Bethany	Anson Wadesborough	Bennett W Sanders	0	0	0	1	0	0	17	1 - 25
Sawyers springs	Anson Jonesborough	Hosea preslar Will Busling Amos Manus	0	0	0	1	1	0	54	2 - 00
Watson	Union Jenkinstore	R Jones Armstead Helms Winton Jenkins	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	1 - 30
grove Spring	ditto ditto	obediah Sinclair Wm Hamilton George Little	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	1 - 50
Bethlehem		not represented	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	1 - 26 1/4
Jones Creek	Union Jones Creek	B Belsheraft	0	0	0	1	0	0	20	1 - 30
High Hill	union Monroe	Joel Helms	0	0	0	0	0	1	42	76 1/4
Liberty Hill	Stanly Albemarle	Levi Hemmacut Solomon Burris Jeremiah Burris	0	0	0	0	1	1	10	75
Sandy run	gold mine C C Chesterfield District	Wm Horton	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	40

The Association chose Elder george Little
Moderator and Cary Tolson Clerk
Extended an invitation to Churches desirous to
unite with us whereupon the Sandy Run Church
Chesterfield District Sc presented a letter praying
admittance into this body which was read and
the right hand of fellowship extended to her delegate
William Norton by the Moderator
Called for correspondents from Sister Association
Jack Reed appeared from the Abbotts creek
union Association and was invited to a seat with
us also a package of Minutes from the Fifth
river Association
Appointed Hosea Preslar Wm M Hushing and
Benjamine C Albright with the moderator and
Clerk a committee of arrangement
Circular letter called for and refered to the committee
of arrangement
Appointed Wm Hamilton and Robert Jones a
committee of finance
The appointment for the brethern to occupy the Stand
to morrow was left open
the Association adjourned until Monday 9 o clock
praise by Wm Hushing

The Sabbath was spent in devotional exercises the Services
of the day was commenced by Elder Edmond Davis
from 1st Timothy 1st Chapter 15th verse
This is a faithful saying and worthy of all
acceptation that Christ Jesus come into the world
to save Sinners of whom I am chief Wm M Nelson
followed from exodus 3d chapter two
last clauses of 3d verse I will now turn aside
and see this great sight why the bush is not burnt
Hosea Preslar followed from Revelations 6th
6th latter clause of 2d verse and he went forth
conquering and to conquer

The Services of the day were closed by Edmond L Davis who gave a warm exhortation and prayer to a large and attentive congregation which appeared to be much affected and we hope much good will result from it

Monday morning according to adjournment the Association was opened by praise and prayer by H. preslar Brother Little being absent the Association appointed Hosea preslar to act as moderator

Brother Wm M Nelson came forward as correspondent from the Southcarolina primitive Association with a file of Minutes and was invited to a Seat

The committee of arrangements reported report received committee discharged
Read the rules of decorum
Called on the committee appointed to visit the High hill church to report report received and committee discharged
After receiving the report Brother Joel Helms produced a letter from said church which gave full Satisfaction
Called on correspondents to Sister Associations to report whereupon Brother o Sinclair reported that himself Hosea preslar Levi Hunnicut and H Hearn attended the abbotts creek union association and were cordially received also H preslar stated that the correspondents failed to attend the S Carolina primitive Association

Called on presbytery to report whereupon Wm M Pressley reported that himself and Brother George Little were called on to attend and did

attended at Watson Church and ordained
Brother Robert Jones a deacon of said church
Appointed H Preslar Drury ell Williams obediah
H Sinclair F. hearn Levi H. hunnecutt Wm
ell Rushing and Gary Jolson correspondents
to the abbotts creek union association appointed
H preslar Wm ell B C Asheraft and geo rye
Little correspondents to the Southcarolina primitive
Association and P C ell Asheraft to write the Letter
to said association
Called on the committee to whom the circular
letter was refered and recommended its adoption

Called in committee of finance to report
they reported that they find on hand $ 2-20 Cts
Received at this Session $ 14-25-3/4 Cts balance
on hand $ 1-11-1/4
Agreed that our clerk of last year be allowed
$ 3-50 Cts for his services in having printed
and distributing the minutes

Agreed that our next association be held with
the Watson Church union County about 10 miles
North-east of Monroe the county seat
commencing on Saturday before the fourth
Lords day in September 1848
Appointed Brother H Preslar to preach
the introductory Sermon
Appointed Wm ell Rushing to prepare a
circular to attach to our next minutes
Appointed Brother Bennett to superintend the printing
of 250 copies of these minutes and distribute 200 copies
to the churches according to contribution

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Agreed that we return our thanks to the people of this vicinity for their kindness and hospitally during the present Session

Adjourned to the time and place of our next Association prayer by Elder Wm M Pressley

Hosea Preslar acting moderator

C Folson Clerk

Minutes

of the Bear creek Baptist Association

At her seventeenth Anniversary held with the Watson Church Union County S.C. commencing saturday before the fourth Lords day in September in the A D

1848

The introductory sermon was delivered according to appointement By Elder H. Preslar from Ecclesiastes 3. Chap. 15 verse That. Which hath bin is now and that Which is to be hath already been and god requireth that which is past after a short inter Mission the association convened and was open by praise & prayer by Elder Phillip Snider

Rec'd 8 Red Letters from the Differnt Churches

Enroled the Messengers Names

& Minuted the state of the Churches as follows

Churches	Counties & post offices	Messengers Names	Restored	Baptized	Received by Letter	Dismissed By Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Amount for Minutes
Bear creek	Albemarle Stanly County	John Lambert John Morton Wm. Cody	...	...	...	1	...	...	32	$1-00
Meadow creek	Do Do Instances Daniel Little	Hezekiah Freeman Daniel Little	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	1-00
Freedom	Do. Do	Wm Coley Isom Colley	...	...	...	1	...	3	14	1-60
Jerusalem	Burnsville Anson	D. M. Williams Cary Tolson	...	...	...	1	1	1	8	1-25
Bethany	Wadesboro Anson	N Bennett Wm. Sanders	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	2-00
Laurel springs	Anson Land's Borough	Eld. H. Freeland Wm. McRushing Moses. Moore	...	3	...	...	1	2	55	3-00
Watsons	Jenkins store Union	Robert Long Winborn Jenkins & Hosted Helms Wm. Hamelton	...	...	...	2	...	...	16	150
Grove spring	Do Do	old Sinclair Enoch Griffin	...	8	...	...	2		31	2-00
Bethlehem	.....	Not before settled							25	1.25
Lanes Creek	Lanes creek Union	B. C. Ashcraft Peter Parker Stephen Huntly	...	...	...	...	...	1	20	1-75
High Hill	Monroe Union	Joel Helms Emanuel Helms Green B. Helms	...	...	...	...	8	3	33	1-10
Liberty Hill	Albemarl Stanilly	Solomon Burris Levi Runnecut Jeremiah Benson	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1-10
Sandy Run	gold mine S. C. Chesterfield District	Levi Pate Wm Norton	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	1-00
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Those Ed. H. prestar Moderator & Gary Tolson Clerk
1 Called on Corresponding Brethren for sister Associations
Whereupon Elder Ashley swaim A. peacock philip snider
Jacob Miller & Larrot Rushel appeared from abbots creek
Union Ecepted & gnevitation & tuck seats with us
Also Wm. Nelson from south Carolina Association
With a package of Minute
2 Appintid Eld A. swaim A. peacock & Wm. Nelson
With the Moderator & Clk. a committee of Arangement
3 Circular Letter Called for & None prepared
4 Appointed Wm. Hamelton & B. C. Ashcraft a committe
of finance
5 Appointed A. swaim Wm. Nelson & philip
Snider to occapy the stand on sabbath
6 the Association adjourned tell Monday morning
9 oclock praise by A. swaim
7 the sabath was spent in devotional Exciss the
Brathering Who ware appinted attended the stand
Brother philip Snider Commenced the Service of the
Day from Josiah 32 ch. 2d Verse Brother Wm Nelson followed
from Nehemiah 4th ch. Latter clause of the 2 Verse
And Brother Ashley swaim Concluded from acts 20-28 ch. 28th
the Congregation ware Large & attentif we believe that
the children of god ware fed from the Rich Treasures
above & Many appeared to be deeply effected we hope
that Much good will Result thare from in gods
Good time
8 Monday morning the Association Met according
to adjournment was open by praise & prayer by Elder
H. prestar & proceded to buisness
9 Called the Mysengers Names
10 Read the Rules of Decorum
11 Called on Comt of arangement to report Report
Read & Committee discharged
12 Wm M. Rushing Reported that him self & Brother
Hosea prestar Visited the S. C. primitive Association
& we can cordialy Rec Brother H prestar also Reported

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that himself hezekiah Leaven D. M. Williams &
Levi Hunecutt Visited the abbots creek Union ajssociation
and wean cordially Received
13 Brother Wm. M. Rushing Reported that himself &
Brother H. Prestar ware called on to attend the Lawyer
Spring church an that They ordained M. Amos Manos
& John Prestar deacons of that church he allso stated
that him self & Elder John Lambert weare Called
and attended to the ordination of Levi Hunecutt
Deacon of the Liberty hill church
14 Appointed Brethren H. prestar obediah Sinclar &
B.C. Ashcraft Corasponding to the southcarolina primitive
Baptist Association Also B.C. ashcraft to write the
Cor Letter to s^d Association
Also appointed Brethren H. prestar Wm. M. Rushing &c.
Sinclar Solomon Burris Emanuel Helms Wm. Hamelton
& Cary Tolson Corespondance to the abbots creek Union
Association
15 the com^t. affinance reported that they find on hand
$5.75 Rec^d at this session $19.55 & allowing Brother Little
$4.00 for Recording the Minutes Leaves a ballance of $21.30

16 agreed to allow Brother N Bennet for printing &
Distributing our Last years Minutes $3.00 which he
frankly gave to the ajsociation

17 agree that our next ajsociation be held with the
Liberty Hill church Standly County N.C. to Commence
Saturday before the fourth Lords day in sept 1843
18 appointed Wm. M. Rushing to preach the introductory
sermon. Service to commence at 11 aclock
19 appointed El. george Little to prepare a circular
to attach to our next Minutes
20 appointed Cary Tolson to superintend the printing
& distributing of 225 Copies of Minutes to the
Defrent Churches according to contribution & 75
Copies to be Reserved
21 agreed that the faith of the bear creek primitive
Baptist ajsociation be printed in our Minutes

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22 agree that the thanks of the Association be tendered to the citizens of this Vicinity for their kindness & hospitality During the present session

23 the Association adjourned to time & place aforementioned

Prayer by Eld H Prestar

Gary Folson Clk.

H. Prestar Modr

Minutes of the

Bear Creek Baptist Association

at her eighteenth Anniversary

Held with the Liberty hill Church

Stanly County N C

Commencing on Saturday before the 4th Lords day in September 1849

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder G Little from Titus 2nd chapter 14th verse — Who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify unto himself a peculiar people Zealous of good works

2 After a short intermission the Association convened and was opened by praise and prayer by Elder H Prestar. received and read letter from the different churches enrolled the Messengers names and Minuted the state of the churches as follows

State of the Churches

Churches	Postoffice and County	Messengers Names	Am.t for Minutes	Number	Dead	Excluded	Dismissed by Letter	Rec.d by Letter	Rec.d by Experience & Bap.d	Restored	Baptized	Received by Experience	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Amount for Minutes
Bear Creek	Albemarl Stanly county	Neadham Mutley wm Mitley wm Ewdy	1														8	
Meadow Creek	Do	Hezekiah Heame D Little Doney Hun =cent							1	2			1			1	32	1.60
Freedom	Do	John Leadbetter Wm Coley John Cot	2	1													20 17	1.35 1.00
Jerusalem	Hamonds Store Anson Co	D. M. Williams Lyse Coley Carey Golson							2								10	1.25
Bethany	Wadesboro Anson	Revel Bennett															17	1.75
Sauzers Spring	Lanesboro Anson	H. Presley Wm M Rushing Wm Marsh									1		1			1	53	2.55
Watsons	Lenkins Store Union Co	Winburn Lenkins A Helms R. Lowe			1	2					1		1			1	18	1.00
Grove Spring	Do	G Little O H Sinclair David Webb	1								1		1			1	31	1.50
Bethlehem		Not Represented															25	1.90
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union Co	L. Hough R Marsh Britton Parker							1								21	1.25
High Hill	Monroe Union Co	E Helms Henry Moses Lod Helms											1			1	31	1.10
Liberty Hill	Albemarl Stanly Co	David Higer Solomon Burris Levi H Hunnicutt				2			2				1			1	12	1.00
Sandy Runn	Gold Mine Chesterfield D.st S.C.	Levi Pate Wm Horton															6	1.00
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3 Chose Elder George Little Moderator & G L Marsh Clerk
4 Called for correspondents from sister Associations Elders
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Jacob Miller and Joel Reed appeared from the Abbots Creek
Union with a packet of Minutes and took their seats
5 Apponted Elders A Swaim A Peacock & Prefslar with the Moder
-ator and Clerk a Committe of Arrangement
6 Appointed D M Williams and Cary Golson a committe of Finance
7 Cucular Letter called for and refered to the committe of Arrangement
8 Chose Elders A Swaim G Little and Philip Snider to occupy the
stand tomorrow service to commence at 10 Oclock AM
9 Appointed Elder H. Prefslar to write a Corresponding Letter to the
South Carolina Primetive Association
10 Adjourned till Monday morning 9 Oclock Praise by Elder Swaim
11 Sabbath was spent in devotional exercise The Brethren appointed
to preach met at the hour appointed Elder G Little commenced the
service and preached from Romans 5th Chapter and 21st verse
That as sin hath reigned unto death even so might grace
reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ
our Lord Elder A Swaim followed from Zepeniah 3rd chapt
and latter clause of the 17th verse He will rest in his love he will
joy over the in singing Elder Philip Snider followed after a
short intermission from 1st Corinthians 2nd Chapt and ~~latter~~
~~clause of~~ 9 verse Eye hath not seen nor ear heard neither ~~has~~
have entred into the heart of man the things which God hath
prepaired for them that love him Elder H Prefslar closed the
service from Jeremiah 2nd Chapt and 13 verse For my people
have commited two evils they have forsaken ~~the~~ the fountain
of living waters and hewed ~~to~~ them ~~out~~ out cisterns - broken
cisterns that can hold no water The congregation was
large and the word was preached in faithfulness and we
pray that the word preached may be as ~~water~~ bread cast
upon the waters that may be fed upon many days hence

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Monday Morning Nine oclock

12 The Association met agreable to Adjournment and was opened by Praise and Prayer by Elder Philip Snider

13 On motion the names of the Messengers were called and absentees noted

14 Called on committe of Arrangement to report Report received and Committe discharged

15 Read the rules of Decorum

16 Called on correspondents to sister Associations to report Brother Obed H Sinclair reported that himself and Elder & Presbr and B.C. Ashcraft attended the South Carolina Primetive Association and were cordially received Elder & Presbr reported that himself Solomon Burris & Helms Wm Hamilton and Cary Tolson attended the Abbotts Creek Union Association and were cordially re

17 Appointed the following correspondents to sister Associations — To the Abbots Creek Union Obed H. Sinclair & Presbr G Little Winburn Jenkins Levi H Hunnicut John Leadbetter and Drury M Williams To the South Carolina Primetive Association Elder & Presbr Obed H Sinclair and G L Marsh

18 Called for and read the corresponding Letter to the South Carolina Primetive Association

19 Called for the circular letter which was read and adopted

20 Whereas Elder E L Davis was formerly a member of this body having his membership in the Church at Lawyers Spring has departed from the faith and is preaching another gospel which is not another but a perversion of the Gospel and has been excluded for the same and after having been called upon by said Church for his credentials and refused to give them up we feel it to be our duty to warn our brethren abroad to be ware of him

21 The committe of finance report that they find in the hands of the Treasurer

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Rec'd this session		17 65
		28 95
Allowed our former clerk for his services last year		3
Leaving a balance of		25 95

22 Allowed our former clerk for his services

out of which sum the Treasurer authorized and requested
to defray the expences of Printing these Minutes and to pay
the Expences of our corresponding Messengers of last year to
the South Carolina Primitive Association $10.85
23 Agreed that our next Association be held with the High Hill Church
Union County N.C. about two miles Northwest of Monroe
to commence on Saturday before the fourth Lords day in
September 1850 and that Elder H Presslar preach the intro
ductory Sermon Service to commence at 11 oclock
24 Appointed Elder H Presslar to write a circular letter to accom
=ch to our next minutes
25 Appointed our clerk to superintend the printing of
and distribution of ~~that~~ Minutes 250 coppies of these
Minutes among the different Churches according to contri
bution and reserve 50 coppies for corresponding Associa
-tions
26 Resolved that we return our thanks to this Church and the
people of this vicinity for their hospitality to us during
the present meeting
27 Adjourned to the time and place above named Praise
and prayer by Elder A Swaim

George Little Mod

J L Marsh Clk

Minutes of the Beaverdick Baptist Association at her

19th Anniversary held with the High Hill Church
Union County N C Commencing on saturday before the
4th Lords day in September 1850
saturday September 21st Minutes

1 The Introductory Sermon was Delivered by Elder A
Pregolar from Isaiah 40 chapt 10 v Behold the Lord God
will come with a strong hand and his arm shall rule
for him behold His reward is with him and His work
before Him

2 After a short intermission the Association met and was
opened by praise and prayer by Elder Philip Snider Recieved and
read Letters from the different Churches enrolled the Messengers
names and Minuted the state of the Churches

3 Elected Elder George Little Moderator and T L Marsh clerk

4 Invited Corrispondents from sister Associations whereupon
Elders A Peacock A Swaim and P Snider appeared from the
Abbots Creek Union with a packet of Minutes and were
cordially received and took seats with us Recieved a packet
of Minutes from the Fishers River Association and agreed
to correspond with them by minute

5 Recieved a letter from the Cold Water Church praying to
be restored to ~~the~~ fellowship and admitance into our body
which was received and the right hand of fellowship extended
to her delegates Nathan M. Clark & Allison Boil by the Moderator

6 Appointed Elders A Swaim & Pregolar and A Peacock with the
Moderator and clerk a Committe of arrangement

7 Appointed Brethren D M Williams and Nathan M Clark
a Committe of Finance

8 Called for the Circular Letter and referred to the committe of
Arrangement

9 Appointed Elders A Swaim P Snider and A Peacock to preach
to morrow service to commence at 10 oclock A M

10 Read and adopted a corresponding Letter to the South Caro-
lina Primitive Association prepaired by Obed A Sinclair

11 Adjourned till
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11 Adjourned till monday morning nine oclock Praise and bene
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12 Sabbath - was spent in Devotional exercise The brethren
appointed to preach attended at the stand at the time appointed
Elder Philip Snider commenced the service and preached from Ezek
1 chapt 10 vr ~~For the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels~~
As for the likeness of their faces they four had the face of a man and
the face of a lion on the right side and they four had the face
of an Ox on the left side they four also had the face of an eagle
Elder A Peacock followed from Psalms 27th and 4 v One thing
have I desired of the Lord and that will I seek after that I may
dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life to behold the
beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple Elder a Swaim
followed from Ezekill 1 chapt and later clause of 21st v for the spirit
of the living creatures was in the wheels Elder H Priscar followed
from 2nd Timothy 2 ch 15 v Study to show thy self approved unto
God a workman that needeth not be ashamed rightly dividing
the word of truth Brother. N Bennet closed by a short exortation
The congregation was large some of whom appeared deeply affected
and we hope the labours of the day will long be remembered by
many precious Souls

13 Monday morning nine oclock Met agreeable to adjournment
Praise and prayer by Elder H Priscar Called the names of the
delegates and noted absentees

14 Commette of Arrangement report Report received and the
Commette discharged

15 Read the rules of decorum

16 Called on correspondents to sister Associations to report
brother O H Sinclair reported that himself Elder H Priscar and
Levi H Hunnecut attended the Abbots Creek Union Association
and were cordially received Elder H Priscar reported that he atten
17 ded the South Carolina Primitive Association and was cordially
received by the brethren

17 Called on Presbytery to report but none was made

18 Commette of finance report that they find in hands of the Treasurer $3.10
Sent up by the Churches 15 80
$18.90

19 Appointed the following Brethren Correspondents to sister Asso
ciations To the Abbots Creek Union Obed H Sinclair Wm Hamilton David Kizer Solomon Burris Elder & Presbr A Bennet Allison Neil Cary Tolson and Emanuel Helms to the South Carolina Primitive Elders & Presbr A Bennet and G Little and brother

20 Read and adopted the circular letter prepaired by Elder & Presbr

21 Appointed Elder G Little to prepair a circular Letter to attach to our next minutes

22 Allowed our clerk three dollars for his services last year

23 Agreed that our next Association be held with the Church at Lawyers Spring ~~Church~~ Anson County N C 12 Miles west of Wadesboro to commence on Saturday before the fourth Lords day in Sept 1851 and that Elder George Little preach the introductory sermon service to commence at 11 Oclock A M

24 Appointed our clerk to superintend the printing and distribution of 300 coppies of these minutes according to contribution reserving 50 copys for corresponing Associations

25 Agreed that we return ~~our~~ thanks to this Church and vicinity for their hospitality during the present meeting Adjourned to the time and place above named

George Little Mod

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Grove Spring	Lanke
Bethlehem	Wade
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High Hill	Monr
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State of the Churches

Churches	Post offices and Counties	Messengers Names	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Experience	Rec'd by Baptism	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Amt for Minutes
Bear Creek	Albemarl Stanly Co	John Morton Wm Whitley Wm Eudy	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	29	1.00
Meadow Creek	Albemarl Stanly Co	Hezekiah Herron Robert B Biggers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	.75
Freedom	Albemarl Stanly Co	Wm Burris Isham Cooley John Cot	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	17	1.00
Jerusalem	Hammonds Store Anson Co	D M Williams Lyle Coley & Colson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	1.15
Bethany	Wadesboro Anson Co	N Bennett N G Jones	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	17	1.75
Lawyers Spring	Lanesboro Anson Co	Elder A. Prefslar Wm Marsh Prefslar	1	1	-	-	-	3	5	21	2.00
Watson	Jenkins Store Union Co	G J Green A Helms Robt Jones	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	17	1.00
Grove Spring	Jenkins Store Union Co	Elder G Little O H Sinclair Wm Hamilton	-	8	1	-	-	-	2	35	1.75
Bethlehem	Wadesboro Anson Co	Not Represented	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	.80
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union Co	Joseph Hough Wm Anderson J L Marsh	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	19	1.25
High Hill	Monroe Union Co	E Helms G B Helms Joel Helms	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	29	1.25
Liberty Hill	Albemarl Stanly Co	Levi H Hunnicut Jeremiah Hinson	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	17	1.10
Sandy Run	Gold Mine Chesterfield District S.C.	Not Represented									
Coldwater	Concord Cabarrus Co	Nathanl Clark Allison Boyd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	50

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Minutes of the Bear creek Baptist Association at her
Twentyth Anniversary held with the Lawyers Spring
Church Anson County N C Commencing on Saturday
before the fourth Lords day in September 1851

Minutes

1 The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Marshall McGraw
from Luke 15th Chapt a part of the 22nd verse Bring forth the
best robe and put it on him

2 After a short intermission the Association convened and was
~~and was~~ opened by praise and prayer by Elder H Preslar
On motion brother Cary Tolson was appointed Moderator protem
Received and read letters from the different Churches enrolled
the messengers names and minuted the state of the Churches

3 On motion brother Cary Tolson was appointed Moderator and
J L Marsh Clerk

4 Called for Correspondents from sister Associations Elders
Marshall McGraw Wm Nelson and brother I Warren appeared
with minutes
1 from the South Carolina Primetive Association and took seats
~~with us~~ Elders A Peacock P Snider & Swaim and brother C Russell
appeared with Minutes from the Abbots Creek Union

6 Invited Ministering brethren to take seats with us Elder H Pres-
-lar accepted the invitation

6 Appointed Elders M McGraw Wm Nelson & Preslar with
the Moderator and Clerk a committe of arrangement Brother
-ren N Bennett & B C Ashcraft a committe of finance and
J L Marsh to write a corresponding Letter to the S. C Primetive
Association

7 Referred the circular letter to the committe of Arrangement

8 Elected the following brethren to preach to morrow Elders
M McGraw P Snider and A Swaim service to commence
at ten oclock A M

9 Adjourned till Monday morning nine oclock

Sabbath was spent in devotional exercise the brethren ap
pointed to preach attended at the time appointed Elder P Snider
commenced the service and preached from Jeremiah 51 Ch 50 v
ye that have escaped the Sword go away stand not still remem

ber the Lord afar off and let Jerusalem come into your minds
Elder Mc Graw followed from Rom 5th Chapt 1st v Therefore
being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ Elder Swaim followed from Isaiah 26 Chapt 2nd v
Open ye the gates that the righteous nation which keepeth the
trouth may enter in The service was closed by a short Exhortation
by Elder Peacock The congregation was very large and behav
-ed with becoming reverance the saints appeared to be comforted
and fed upon the word preached and we hope the labours of the
day may redown to the declarative Glory of God

Monday morning nine o'clock

10 The association met agreable to adjournment and was open
ed by singing and prayer by Elder Mc Graw Called the names
of the delegates and noted absentees

11 Committe of Arrangement report and are discharged

12 Read the rules of Decorum

13 Took in consideration the following query As we believe that
water baptism is a duty injoined on believers what must
those believers do on their part to make their baptism val
-id in the sight of God and after a full discussion of the
subject gave the following answer We believe they must be
immersed or buried in water by one publicly professing the relig
eon of Jesus Christ and openly acknowledging the old and new
Testament to be the only revealed will of God and immersion to be the
only proper mode of Baptism and is of good moral character has
been publicly set apart to preach the Gospel and to officiate in
the ordenances of the same by a Presbytery professing the
same things

14 Took in consideration the following query sent up by
the Church at Grove Springs Suppose a member of
one of our Churches borrows money of his friends and
gets others to stand his security in the bank and runs
away and leaves his family and his debts unpaid and trades
with his friend for goods on a credit after he has started
and tells a falsehood at the time and makes away with
all of his property he owed after to his interest whether

on his way and is excluded from the Church for his conduct
is it agreeable to Gospel discipline for that Church to restore
him to fellowship again on a verbal acknowledgment
without paying any of his debts Answer No
15 Whereas we believe that the Church at Watson has restor
-ed one of her members who acted similar to the case in
the above query therefore we uphold the following com
mitte to visit her and admonish her to reconsider her act
Bro Wm Marsh Wm Stegall Jas Marsh & W Williams
Wm Hamilton Elder & Prpslar and Amos Manus and
report to nxt Association
16 Called on correspondents to sister Associations to repor
Elder & Prpslar reported that himself and bro N Ban
-nett attended the S. C. Primitive and were cordially re
-ceived bro Allison Boils reported that himself Elder
& Prpslar Abd McLaindon & Thos Sanders attended Solomon Burris
attended the Abbots Creek Union and were cordially received
15 Called on Presbytery to report Elder & Peacock reported
that himself P Snider and B L Little attended the Cold water
Church and ordained Bro N M Clark to the work of the
Ministry
18 Committe of Finance report that they find in the
hands of the treasurer $2.90
sent up by the Churches 17.42½ $20.12½
19 Appointed the following corrspondents to sister Associations
to the S. C. Primitive Elder & Prpslar and bro Thos B. C. Ashcraft
Levi Pate and Wm Horton to the Abbots Creek Union Elder
& Prpslar N. B. Herren Abd McSinclair Wm Stegall A
Boils Amos Manus and B C Ashcraft
20 By the recommendation of the committe to whom the circu
-lar letter was refered it was adopted
21 Appointed Elder & Prpslar to write a circular to attach to
our nxt minutes
22 Allowed our Clerk three Dollars for his services last year
23 ~~Appointed~~ Agreed that we hold our nxt Association with
the Church at Meadow Creek Stanly County N. C.

to commence on saturday before the fourth Lords day in Sept
1852 and that Elder N M Clark preach the introductory sermo
to commence at 11 oclock

24 Appointed our Clerk to superintend the printing ~~and~~ of 300
copies of these Minutes and distribute them as heretofor

25 Agreed to return thanks to the Church at this place and
citizens generally for their hospitality during the pres
meeting

26 Adjourned to the time and place above mentioned
Praise and prayer by elder P Snider

T L Mark Clerk

Cary Colson Mod

Churches

Bear Creek

Meadow C
Freedom

Jerusalem
~~Bethany~~
Bethany

Sawyers Spri

Watson

Grove Spri

Bethlehem

Lamb Creek

High Hill
Liberty Hill

Sandy Run

Coto Water

State of the Churches

Churches	Post office & County	Messengers Names	Baptized	Received by Experience	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Amt for Minutes
										$
Bear Creek	Albemarl Stanly	Wm Eudy John Morton Howel Howard	1	3				1	27	1.25
Meadow Creek	Do	No delegate				1		1	20	80
Freedom	Do	Wm Coley John Col Jesse Coley			1			2	17	1.00
Jerusalem	Hamm'd Store An	D M Williams								
~~Bethany~~	~~Wadesboro An~~	Cary Tolson	1		1		1		8	100
Bethany	Wadesboro Anson	Nevail Bennett								
		Nathaniel Jones	1						17	1.75
Sawyers Spring	Lanesboro Anson	John Presslar Wm								
		Marsh Amos Manus	1						51	2.00
Watson	Jenkins Store Union	Amsted Helms								
		Robt Jones	1		2				20	1.00
Grove Spring	Do	G Little James G								
		Autry W L Stegall					4	1	31	1 55
Bethlehem	Wadesboro Anson Co	No represented								75
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union	J L Marsh B C								
		Ashcraft J Small	1		1		2	3	18	1 25
High Hill	Monroe Union	Joel Helms E Helms						1	29	1.12
Liberty Hill	Albemarl Stanly	W B. Heron S								
		Little David Eudy	10		3				30	2.00
Sandy Run	Gold Mine Chesterfield District Co.	Levi Pate Wm								
		Horton Amos Hough	1	4					11	1.00
Cold Water	Concord Cabarrus	Elder N M Clark								
		Allison Voils								
			1	18	5	6	2	6	9	283

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Minutes of the Bear Creek Baptist Association At her
21st Anniversary Held with the Meadow Creek Church
Stanly County N.C. Commencing on Saturday before the
fourth Lords day in September 1852
1st The Introductory Sermon was preached according to
appointment by Elder N M Clark from Mat 21 ch 6 & 33
verse Hear another parible &c After a recess of a few min-
-utes the Association met and was opened by singing and
prayer by Elder P Snider
2 Recieved and read letters from the different Churches
and enrolled the messengers names
3 On motion Elder A Pryfar was appointed Moderator
and J L Marsh Clerk
4 Invited Ministering brethren to take seats with us
none present
5 Recieved the following corresponding Mysengers
from the S.C. Primetive Association Brethren John
Edwards & Wm A McKinney From Abbots Creek
Union Elders Philip Snider A Peacock Johnathan
=mer & brethren Samuel Styers James A Brough &
Henry Arlege
6 Agreed to recieve no members from the Missionary
Churches in any other way than by experience and Bap-
-tism unless it be such as joined said Churches before
they were aware of the difference between us
7 Appointed the following committee On arrangem.
Elder Philip Snider & brethren Cary Folson & John
Edwards with the Moderator & clerk On finance
B.C. Ashcraft & Wm. Hamilton
8 Appointed J.L. Marsh to write a corresponding letter
to the S.C. Primetive Association
9 Refered the circular letter to the committee of Arrang-
ment
10 Elected the following brethren to preach tomorrow Elder
P Snider A Peacock & A Pryfar service to commence at
ten o clock 11 Adjourned till monday morning 9 o clock

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19 Called

Sabbath was spent in devotional exercise the brethren appoin-ted to preach attended at the time appointed Elder Pryor commenced the service & preached from Ezekial 37th Ch & 3 v Can these bones live And I answered Lord God thou knowest Elder Snider followed from Isaiah 27th Ch & 3 v I the Lord do keep it I will water it every moment lest any hurt it I will keep it night and day Elder Peacock concluded from 2nd Timothy 2nd Ch & 19 v Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure having this seal the Lord knoweth them that are his The word was faithfully preached and we hope much good may result from the same to both saints & sinners

Monday morning Nine oclock

Met agreeable to ~~appointment~~ adjournment

12 The Association was opened by singing & prayer by brother Wm H McKinney Called the Messengers names & noted those who are absent

13th Committee of arrangement reported and were discharged

14 Read the rules of decorum

15 The committee appointed at our last Association to visit the Watson Church that they visited said Church and were not received

16 Agreed that we withdraw from ~~the~~ ~~Watson Church~~ said Church in consequence of her disorder and refusing to hear the counsel of the Association

17 Whereas we have reason to believe that some of the members of the Watson Church are dissatisfied with the acts of said Church we advise any of our Churches to receive such members by adoption provided they should make application and give the Church satisfaction

18th Elder H Pryor reports that he visited the S. C. Primitive Association and was cordially received as a corresponding messenger Brother Obed H Sinclair reports that himself Elder H Pryor B C Ashcraft & W L Stegall attended the Abbeville Union Association and were cordially received as corresponding ~~messengers~~

19 Called on presbytery to report but received none

20 Committee of finance report they find in the hands of the treasurer $10.12½

Sent up by the churches this year 14,32½

Paid for the printing these Minutes (400) $8

Clerks services for Transcribing 5/13 — 11.45

21 Appointed Elder Wm M. Rushing and Allison Boils correspondents to the S.C. Primitive Association and to the Abbots Creek Union Elders H Pryflar W M Rushing N M Clark and brethren Wilson B Herren Solomon Burris Obd H Sinclair Alfred Mc Crain Wm Hamilton Levi H Honeycut A E Bennett Samuel Bennett J L March Cary Folson & Wm Stancil

22 Circular letter prepaired by Elder H Pryflar read & adopted

23 Appointed A E Bennett to write a circular to attach to our next Minutes

24 Agred that our next Association be held with the Church at Grove Spring Union County N.C. 12 miles east of Monroe to commence on saturday before the fourth Lords day in September 1853 and that Elder W M Rushing preach the introductory sermon service to commence at 11 oclock

25 Appointed J L March to superintend the printing and distribution of 400 coppies of these minutes

26 We return our thanks to the citizens of this vicinity for their hospitality towards us during our present meeting and that the same be made known to them at the stand

27 Adjourned to the time and place above named singing and prayer by brother A E Bennett

Hosea Pryflar
Moderator

J L March Clk

Churches

Bear Creek
Meadow Creek
Freedom
Jerusalem
Bethany
Lawyers Spring
Grove Spring
Bethlehem
Lanes Creek
High Hill
Liberty Hill
Sandy Run
Cold Water

State of the Churches

Churches	Post office & County & State	Messengers Names	Baptized Restored	By experience	Rec'd by Letter	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Number	Contribution $	
Bear Creek	Albemarle Stanly N.C.	John Morton						2	28	1.25	2
		Wm Eudy Wm Whitley	3								
Meadow Creek	"	Robt B Bigers			1		1		19	1.25	3
		Daniel Little									
Freedom	"	Wm Coley John Cox									
		Isham Coley	1						17	1.00	
Jerusalem	Hamon Store Anson Co	Ilyas Coley D M									
		Williams Cary Tolson	1				1		8	1.00	3
Bethany	Wadesboro	Nathaniel Jones									
	"	A E Bennett		1			1	1	16	75	
Lawyers Spring	Lanesboro	Elder H Proctor Wm									
		Marsh John Proctor	1				1		1	49	200
Grove Spring	Jenkins Store Union Co N.C.	Obed H Sinclair Wm									
		Hamilton W. Stegall		1			2		28	156	
Bethlehem	Wadesboro Anson N.C.	Not Represented									
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union N.C.	Elder W M Rushing									
		B C Ashcraft			1			1	18	100	
High Hill	Monroe	Joel Helms Enoch Helms									
		Green B Helms	4					3	30	100	
Liberty Hill	Albemarle Stanly	Levi H Honeycutt						1	30	200	
		Wilson B Perkins Burris	1								
Sandy Run	Gold Mine	A Outen Chapman									
	Chesterfield Dist SC	Hill Amos Hough		1	4			1	14	100	
Cold Water	Concord	Elder N M Clark									
	Cabarrus Co N.C.	Alfred McGraw									
		Allison Boils	3	1	1		2	2	9	50	
			3	13	7	2	3	5	12	266	1431

Minutes of the Bearcreek P B Association
At her 22nd Anniversary held with the Grove
Spring Church Union County N.C. commencing on
saturday before the fourth Lords day in Sept 1853

1 The introductory sermon was preached according to
appointment by Elder Wm M Rushing from Psalms
118. 22.23 The stone which the builders refused is becom
the head stone of the corner. This is the Lords doing it is
marvelous in our eyes after a short intermission the
~~Session~~ the Delegates assembled and the Association
was opened by singing and prayer by Wm A McKinney
2 Recieved and read letters from the different churches
and enrolled the names of the Delegates
3 On motion Elder W M Rushing was appointed Modera
tor and J L Marsh clerk
4 Invited ministering brethren to take seats with us
5 Inquired for correspondents from sister Associations
when the following appeared from the Abbots Creek
Union Elders A Peacock P Snider & brother J Miller
From the S.C. Primitive Elder Wm A. McKinney
6 Appointed the following Committees. On Arrangeme
Elders P Snider & Prslar A Peacock W & McKinney.
with the Moderator & clerk On finance W L Slegall
and Wilson B Herren
7 Appointed the clerk to write a corresponding letter
to the S.C. Primitive Association
8 Called for the circular letter - the brother appointed to
write one failed to do so therefore requested any of
the brethren who felt an impression of mind to
write one to do so by monday morning
9 Elected the following brethren to preach tomorrow to
commence at ten o'clock A.M. viz Elders P Snider
A Peacock & Wm A McKinney
10 Adjourned till monday morning nine o'clock

The Sabbath was spent in devotional exercise Elder McKinny commenced and preached from John 5. 25 verily verily I say unto you the hour is coming and now is when the dead shall hear the voice of the son of God and they that hear shall live Elder Snider followed from Deut. 32. 9–12 For the Lords portion is his people &c. Elder Peacock followed after a short intermission from Ps. 127–1 Except the Lord build the house they labour in vain that build it Elder Pryor concluded from Job 32–17–22 I will answer also my part I also will shew mine opinion &c.
The word was preached in demonstration of the Spirit to a very large and attentive audience and we pray that it may prove a savor of life unto life and not of death unto death

Monday morning

Met agreable to adjournment singing and prayer by Elder P Snider

11 Committee of arrangement report and are discharged

12 Called the names of the delegates and noted absentees

13 Read the rules of Decorum

14 Took into consideration the act of the Association of 1851 article 16th the act in regard to the Watson Church and sustained said act

15 Whereas the Church at Bethany has failed to represent herself in this Association agreed that we appoint the following committee to visit her to enquire into the cause of her failure viz Elder Wm McRushing B. C. Ashcraft & Wm Mark and report to our next Association

16 Called on correspondents Elder A Pryor reports that himself & brethren Wm Hamilton Alfred McCrawd H Hangent & J Burris attended the Abbots Creek Union Association & were cordially rec'd, Brother A Voils reports that Elder Wm McRushing & himself attended the S. C. Primitive & were cordially rec'd

17 Called on presbytery to report Elder Wm M Bushing that himself and Elder G Little formed a presbytery and ordained Wilson B Herren a Deacon also Elder M Mc Graw formed a Presbytery and ordained Wm H Mc Kinney and John Edwards to the work of the Ministry and Zechariah Mc Daniel and James Mc Kinney as Deacons

18 The committee of finance report the find in the hands of the treasurer

	$ 11 45
sent up by the Churches	11 85
	$ 23 30

19 Agreed that we allow our clerk $3 for his services last year and for the printing and distributing of these Minutes $10 ——— $13-00

Leaving a balance of - —— $10-30

20 Appointed the following Correspondents to sister Associations to the S.C. Primetive brethren Levi Pate B C Asher & J L Mark and to the Abbots Creek Union Brethren Wm Hamilton Wm L Stegall A Boils W B Herren Elder N M Clark and C Tolson

21 Read and adopted the corresponding letter to the S.C. Primetive Association

22 Adopted an address written by Elder H Prestar in the place of a circular letter.

23rd Appointed Elder Wm M Rushing to write a circular for our next Minutes

24 Agreed that our next Association be held with the Freedom Church Stanly County N.C. to commence on saturday before the fourth Lords day in sept 1854 and that Elder N M Clark preach the introductory sermon at 11 oclock

25 Appointed the clk to superintend the printing & Destribution of 400 coppies of these minuts as herefore

26 Agreed that we return thanks to the church and this vicinity for their hospitality during our present meeting

27 Adjourned to the time and place above named Prayer and prayer by Elder Peacock

Wm M Rushing Mod

J L Mark Clk

18	2	6	13	2	19	62	11	85	50

State of the Churches

Churches	Post office County & State		Reed'd by Letter Baptized	Reed'd by Letter Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Reed'd by Experience	Number	$	Cts
Bear Creek	Albemarl Stanly N.C.	John Morton A Whitley Wm Udy					2		26	1	00
Meadow Creek	Do "	Aaron Jenkins	1					2	21		65
Freedom	Do "	Wm Burris Isham Coley Wm Cox	1		1	2		1	17		90
Jerusalem	Gordonsville Union N.C.	Cary Tolson			0	2			7		50
Bethany	Wadesboro Anson N.C.	Not represented			~~4~~	~~5~~			~~44~~	~~2~~	~~00~~
Lawyers Spring	Lanesboro Do	Elder & Pro Lar Wm Marsh & L B Bennett			4	5			44	2	00
Grove Spring	Jenkins Store Union N.C.	Wm Hamilton W L Stegall J B Stegall	1	2	1	3			28	1	25
Bethlehem	Wadesboro Anson N.C.	Not represented									
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union N.C.	Elder Wm M Rushing B C Ashcraft J L Marsh							18	1	00
High Hill	Monroe Do	Calvin Helms Isham Helms Green B Helms	1	14	1	3	16		44	1	55
Liberty Hill	Albemarl Stanly N.C.	David Hizer W B Herren Levi J Nunnecut			1				32	1	50
Sandy Run	Jefferson Chesterfield Dist S.C.	Wm Horton A Hough John Williams							15	1	00
Cold Water	Concord Cabarrus N.C.	Elder N M Clark A Boyle							9		50
			2	18	2	6	13	2	19	262	11	85

Minutes of the Bearcreek Primitive Baptist Associa-
tion at her twenty third Anniversary held with the
Freedom Church Stanly county N.C. comencing on
Saturday befor the fourth Lords day in September
1854

1st The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Philip
Snider from 1st Cor 1st & 30 But of him are ye in Christ
Jesus who of God is made unto us wisdom & righteousness
and ~~redemption~~ sanctification & redemption
After a brief intermission the Association assembled
and was opened by singing and prayer by Elder A Peacock
2 Recived and read the letters from the different churches
and enrolled the names of the Delegates
3 Appointed Elder Wm M Rushing Moderator & Jas Marsh Clk
4 Invited Ministering brethren to a seat with us none present
5. Called for correspondents from Sister associations Elders
P Snider & A Peacock and brethren J Russel Joseph Hen-
Jacob Miller Wilie Safley and Calvin Carter appeared
from the Abbots Creek Union and were cordially rec.
6 Appointed the following committies On arrange-
ment Elders P Snider A Peacock & brother C Tolson
with the Moderator & Clk On finance brethren W L
Stegall & B C Athcraft
7 Appointed brother C Tolson to write a corresponding
letter to the South Carolina Primitive Baptist Ass.
8 Refered the circular letter to the committee of
arrangement
9 Worship to commence at the stand tomorrow at ten oclock the pur-
ing to be arranged by the Ministering brethren
10 Adjourned till Monday morning nine oclock singing
and prayer by the Moderator Preaching was continued at the
stand by brother Joseph Small The sabbath was spent
as usual in devotional exercise Elder Wm M Rushing
preached from John 15th & 5 I am the vine ye are the
branches Elder ~~Peacock~~ Snider followed from Eph 4th
4 & 5 v There is one body and one Spirit even as ye are

called in one hope of your calling One Lord one faith one
baptism Elder Peacock closed the service from Proverbs
24 ch 27 Prepair thy work without and make it fit for
thyself in the field and afterwards build thy house

The word was preached in much candor faithfulness to a
large congregation to a large congregation and we hope it
will prove a saviour of life unto life and not of death unto
death Monday morning met agreable to adjournment
singing and prayer by Elder P Smiley

11 The committee of arrangement reported and was discharged
12 Called the names of the Delegates and noted absentees
13 Read the Rules of Decorum
14 Appointed the following committee to visit the
Church of Bethlehem to inquire into the cause why she failed
to represent herself in this Association Elder Wm M Rushing
Wm Carpenter C Folson B.C. Arheart and Henry
Horn to meet said church on Saturday before the
3rd sabbath in July and report to next Association
15 Called on Correspondents to sister Association to
report Cary Folson reported that Nelson B Hewen
and himself attended the Abbots Creek Union and
were cordially received and had a comfortable meeting
E L Marsh reported that B.C. Arheart and himself
attended the S.C. Primitive Association and were
cordially received and had a pleasant meeting
16 Called on Presbytery to report - Received none
17 Appointed the following correspondents to sister
Associations viz To the Abbots Creek Union
John White & E Stoney cut Elder Wm M Rushing
Henderson Helms B.C. Arheart John Morton Alfred
Mc Graw Elder N M Clark Cary Folson and Wm Carpenter
And to the S.C. Primitive brethren Levi Pate
Amos Hough & Joseph Small
18 Agreed that we allow our clerk $3 for his service last year
19 Committee of finance report they find in the hands of the Treasurer $10.30
Sent up by the Churches 11.65
" " Watson Church 35
$22.70

20 Read and adopted a circular letter prepaired by Elder W M Rush
21 Read and adopted a corresponding letter to the S.C.
Primitive Association
22 Appointed the clerk to write a circular for our next
Minutes
23 Agreed that our next Association be held with
the Jerusalem Church Union County N.C. 19 miles
North East of Monroe on the road leading from that
place to Burnsville in Anson County N.C on saturday
before the fourth sabbath in Sept 1855 and that Elder
N M Clark preach the introductory sermon at 11 oclock
24 Appointed the clerk to contract for the printing of
400 copies of these Minutes and have them distribu-
ted as heretofore
25 Agreed that we return our thanks to the Church and
people of this vicinity for their hospitality towards us
during our present meeting
26 Adjourned to the time and place above named for our
next meeting Singing and prayer by Elder P Snider

While the Association was in session the congregation
was entertained by preaching at the Stand brother Mc
Small preached from Songs 7 ch 5 v Thine head upon thee
is like carmel and the hair of thine head like purple
Elder A Peacock preached from Gen 50. 24 and Joseph
said unto his brethren I die and God will surely
visit you and bring you out of this land into the
land which he sware to Abraham to Isaac and to
Jacob The Meeting was closed by a short exhorta-
tion and prayer by Elder P Snider

Wm Rushing Moderator

Jas Marshall Clk

| Names of Churches | Elders N.M. Clark | Wm Rushing | Jas Marshall | P Snider | A Peacock | Wm Small

State of the Churches

Churches	Post Office & State										Amount for Minutes
									No. of Members	Dead	
Bear Creek	Albemarle Stanly NC	John Morton Allison Whitley Howell Howard		1					26		1.00
Meadow Creek	Germans Mills Stanly NC	Daniel Little* Aaron Jenkins	2	1				1	22		50
Freedom	Albemarle NC.	William Coley Wm Coy & Isham Coley				1			16		90
Jerusalem	Goodwine Union Co NC.	C Tolson							7		75
Bethany	Lanes Creek Union Co NC.	A E Bennett# J Garman N G Jones							15		1.10
Lawyers Spring	Lanesboro Union NC	L B Bennett# Wm Carpenter Henry Ison	1	2	2		4	1	42		1.00
Grove Spring	Jenkins Store Union Co NC.	Wm Hamilton W L Stegall C Griffin							28		1.00
Bethlehem	Wadesboro NC.	Not Represented									
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union Co NC.	Elder W M Rushing J L Marsh B C Allcott					1		17		100
High Hill	Monroe Union NC.	C Helms J Helms Elijah Simpson		5	3	1	0	1	46		145
Liberty Hill	Albemarle Stanly NC.	L H Honeycutt J Little John White		2		1		1	33		1.55
Sandy Run	Jefferson SC	Wm Horton Wm Dunn				1	3		13		90
Goldwater	Concord NC.	Elder N. M. Clark# Alfred McGraw						2	6		50
			1	11	7	2	8	2	6	271	11 65

Minutes of the Bear Creek P B Association
At her 24th anniversary Held with the
Lemsalem Church Anson County N C
commencing on saturday before the 4th Lords
day in September 1855

1 The introductory Sermon was preached accor
ding to appointment Elder N M Clark
from Mark 16 C 3rd v Who shall roll us
away the stone from the door of the sepul
chre After a short intermission the Assocation
assembled and was opened by singing and
prayer by elder Joseph Small
2 Recieved and read letters from the different
Churches and enrolled the names of the dele
gates
3 Appointed Elder Wm M Rushing Moderator
and T L Marsh clerk
4 Recieved the following Correspondents from
the Abbots Creek Union Association viz Elders
Philip Snider & A Peacock & Bro John Snider
5 Appointed the following committees on arrang
ment Elders P Snider A Peacock N M Clark
with the Moderator & clerk and on finance
B.C. Ashcraft & W L Liegall
6 Appointed B C Ashcraft to write a corresponding
letter to the S C Primetive Association
7 Called for the circular letter and referred
to the committe of arrangement
8 Elected the following brethren to preach
tomorrow Service to commence at the Stand
at ten oclock viz Elders P Snider A Peacock
and N M Clark Adjourned till Monday morn
ing 9 oclock Benediction by Elder Peacock
While the Association was in session the congre
gation was entertained by at the Stand

by Elder I Small preached from - therefore being
justified by faith we have peace with God
through our Lord Jesus Christ the services
were closed by Elder P Snider from 1st John
4th & 19th We love him because he first loved
us
The Sabbath was spent as usual in
preaching and devotional exercise Elder N M
Clark preached from Isaiah 35th & 5 Then the
eyes of the blind shall be opened and the eares
of the deaf shall be unstoped Elder A Peacock
followed from Zeph 3rd & 12 I will also leave
in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people
and they shall trust in the name of the Lord
Elder P Snider closed the service preached from
John 10 and latter clause of the 10th v I am
come that they might have life and that they
may have it more abundantly
The congregation was very large and attentive
and we hope much good may result from the
labours of the day -
9 Monday morning met agreable to adjournment
Singing and Prayer by the Moderator
10 The committee of arrangement report and are
dis charged
11 Called the names of the Delegates and noted
absentees
12 Read the rules of Decorum
13 The committee appointed at our last Association
to visit the Bethlehem Church report that a part
of said committee visited the Church and on
enquiry was informed that the reason they were
not represented in the Association was that
they have no male members to send as delegates
but they wish to continue their name and fellow
-ship among us which was unanimously con
curred in by the Association

14 The report of our correspondents to sister Asso-
-ciations being called for brother Amos Hough
reported that he attended the S.C. Primitive
Association and was cordially received brother
B C Ashcraft reported that Brothers Henderson
Helms John White & Wm Carpenter and himself
attended the Abbots Creek Union Association
and were cordially received and had a pleasant
and comfortable meeting

15 The report of the presbytery being called for
Elder Wm A Rushing reported that Elders P Snider
John Edwards A Peacock and himself formed
a presbytery and ordained brother I Small to
the work of the Ministry Elder N M Clark repor-
ted that I A Honeycutt and himself formed a
Presbytery and ordained brother Aaron Jenkins
as deacon in the Meadow Creek Church

16 Appointed the following correspondents to the
Abbots Creek Union Association viz Elder N
M Clark Wm Hamilton Alfred McGraw
Wm Carpenter J L Marsh Henderson Helms
B C Ashcraft & W L Stegall

17 Allowed our clerk $3 for his services last year

18 The committee of finance report they find
in the hands of the treasurer $5.70
and sent up by the churches 12.30
whole amt 18.00
out of which the treasurer is required to pay clerk $3
and for printing these minutes 13
leaving in his hands a balance of $2

19 Read and adopted a circular letter written by J.
Marsh and ordered to be printed in these Min.

20 Appointed brother Cary Tolson to write a circul.
letter for our next Association

21 Agreed that our next Association be held with
the Lanes Creek Church at the High Ridge school house

Union County N.C. about 15 miles east of Monroe
near the road leading from that place to Whites
Store - to commence on Saturday before the 4th
Lords day in September 1856 and that Elder
I Small preach the introductory sermon at
11 oclock

22 Appointed the clerk to contract for the printing
of 400 copies of these Minutes and have them
distributed as heretofore

23 Agreed that we return our sincere thanks
to the Church and this neighbourhood for
their liberality kindness & hospitality to us during
our present meeting

24 Adjourned to the time and place of our next
meeting While the Association was in session
the congregation were entertained by preaching
at the Stand by brother John Snider and Elder
I Small the service was closed by Elder P
Snider who preached from Rev 12 & 1st And
he shewed me a pure River of water of life clear
as Christal proceeding out of the throne of God
and the Lamb The word preached appeared
to be accompanied by the power & Demonstra-
tion of the Spirit the saints were comforted
and fed on the sincere milk of the word and
sinners were heard to cry out Lord save or I per-
ish Lord have mercy on me a sinner &c

In the close of the meeting the Church opened
her door for the reception of members and
received two candedates for baptism

State of the Churches

Churches	Post office county and State	Messengers Names	To Ordained by Ex Presbyters	Ordained by Licentiates	Licentiates	No of Seats	Amt for Minutes Members	
Bear Creek	Albemarl Stanly NC	John Morton Wm Eudy Wm Whitley	1	1	1		27	90
Meadow Creek	Gormans Mills NC	Robert Bigers Aaron Jenkins				1	3 18	50
Freedom	Albemarl Stanly NC	Wm Burris Wm Coley Isham Coley				2	14	62½
Jerusalem	Olive Branch Union	Cary Tolson				1	6	85
Bethany	Jones Creek Anson NC	Jesse Garman					15	50
Lawyers Spring	Lanesboro Anson NC	Wm Carpenter Simeon Mauk H Horn	1		1	1	36	175
Grove Spring	Jenkins Store Union NC	Jesse Manus Wm Hamilton W L Stegall				1	1 26	100
Bethlehem	Wadesboro Anson NC	Letter but no delegate					1 11	40
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek Union NC	W M Pushing B C Ashcraft J L Mask					17	110
High Hill	Monroe Union NC	Isham Helms H Helms David Liles	1	1	1		48	170
Liberty Hill	Albemarl Stanly NC	Ir Hinson Levi H Honeycutt D Eudy				1	1 32	160
Sandy Run	Jefferson Chesterfield SC	Levi Pate Amos Hough					13	62½
Cold water	Concord Cabarrus NC	Elder N M Clark Alfred McGraw					2 14	25
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		Church at Watson for Minutes						$ 12.30

Minutes of the Bear Creek Baptist Association at her twenty fifth Anniversary held with the Lanes Creek Church Union County N C Commencing on saturday before the fourth Lords day in September 1856

1 The introductory sermon was preached according to appointment by Elder Joseph Small from Heb 7-ch 25 v Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them

After a short intermission the Association met and the business opened by singing & prayer by the Moderator

2 Recieved and read the letters from the different Churches & enrolled the names of the Delegates

3rd Reappointed Elder Wm M Rushing Moderator & J L Mark clk

4 Invited ministering brethren of the saim Faith & order to seats with

5 Called for Correspondents from sister Associations Elder P Snider and brother John Snider appeared from the Abbots Creek Union & Elder Marshal Mc Graw from the S C primetive and were all cordially recived and took seats with us

6 Appointed the following committee on Arangement Elder P Snider Mc Graw & brother C Tolson with the Moderator & clk and on Finance B C Ashcraft & W L Stegall

7 Appointed the Clerk to write a corresponding letter to the S C Primitive Association

8 Refered the circular letter to the committee of Arrangement

9 Opened a door for the reception of Churches wishing to join this Association Recieved and read a petitionary letter from the Watson Church craving admittance and after some discussion was laid over till monday morning

10 Elected the following ~~brethren~~ Ministers to preach tomorrow viz Elders P Snider M Mc Graw & brother John Snider service to commence at 10 oclock

11 Adjourned till monday morning nine oclock

Sabbath

The brethren appointed to preach attended at the hour appointed Brother John Snider preached from John 1st ch & 1st In the begining was the word and the Word was with God and the Word was God

Elder Mc Graw followed from 1st Cor 1st C & 3 Ch 14 & 15th verses
If any mans work abide which he hath built thereupon he shall
recive a reward if any mans work shall be burned he shall suffer los
but he himself shall be saved yet so as by fire Elder Snider
preached from Acts 5th Ch 31st v Him hath God exalted with his
right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour for to give repentance
to Israel and forgiveness of sins The word was preached in terms
candor & faithfulness to a large and attentive congregation
and we hope it will not be as water spilt on the ground

12 Monday morning Met agreeable to adjournment singing and prayer
by Elder N M Clark

13 Committee of Arrangement report and are discharged

14 Called the names of the Delegates & noted absentees

15 Read the Rules of Decorum

16 Took up the referred case of the Watson Church and recieved her
into fellowship

17 Whereas there are various secret societies organized in the world
Therefore Resolved That we believe it to be contrary to the principals
of the gospel to hold fellowship with any member ~~who has~~ of our
Churches who has or may join any of them

18 Called on corrispondents to sister Associations to report Brother
B C Ashcraft reports that Elder N M Clark Henderson Helms
~~Alfrd~~ Mc Graw & himself attended the Abbotts Creek Union
and were cordially received and all things appeared to be done
in decency and order

19 Appointed the following corresponding Messengers to the Abbotts
Creek Union Association viz David Kiger & Burris & White
W L Stegall Simeon Marsh Wm Hamilton & Cyrel Jenkins
& to the S. C. Primitive Association Elder J Small Wm Horton
John Williams & Wm Dunn

20 Allowed our Clerk $3 for his services last year

21 Committee of finance report that they find in
the treasury $2
sent up by the Churches 13.97
$15.97
For printing these minutes 12 00
leaving in the treasury $3 97

22 Read and adopted the Circular letter written by C Golson
23 Read and adopted the corresponding letter to the S C Primitive Asc
24 Appointed brother Leget Lenkins to write a circular letter for our next Association
25 Resolved that our next Association be held with the Bear Creek Church Stanly County N.C. about nine miles west of Albemarle to commence on saturday before the 4th Lords day in September 1857 and that Elder Wm M Pushing preach the introductory sermon at eleven oclock
26 Appointed the clerk to contract for the printing of 400 copies of these Minutes and have them distributed as heretofore
27 Agreed that we return thanks to the people of this vicinity for the hospitality extended to us during this meeting
28 Adjourned to the time and place of our next meeting

J L Marshbk

Wm M Pushing
Moderator

Churches	Post office & State	Messengers Names	Ord Ministers	Bap Licentiates	Reg Stated Supplies	Reg Pastors	Licentiates	Ord Deacons	No of Members	Amount Contributed
Bear Creek	Albemarle NC	John Morton								
~~Hudson Creek~~		William Endy					2	2	23	95
Meadow Creek	Gormans Mills NC	Daniel Little & RB Biggers Aaron Jenkins							18	50
Freedom	Albemarle NC	John Col & W Coley W Burris		1	1				11	55
Jerusalem	Olive Branch N.C.	Cary Tolson		2					8	100
Lawyers Spring Grove	Whites Store NC	Wm Carpenter S Allark Moses Moore					1	1	34	145
Grove Spring	Jenkins Store NC	Wm Hamilton L J Autry W L Stegall							26	100
Bethlehem	Wadesboro NC	Letter but no delegates							11	100
Bethany	Jones Creek NC	Nathaniel G Jones					1	1	10	65
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek NC	Ela W M Rushing B C Asheraft J G March						1	16	100
Hugh Hill	Monroe N.C.	Calvin Helms G B Helms David Liles						2	46	150
Liberty Hill	Albemarle NC	David Kiger John White Solomon Burris		3	3		1		33	165
Sandy Run	Jefferson S.C.	Levi Pate Amos Hough							13	100
Cold Water	Concord NC	Ela N M Clark Alfred McGraw							4	50
Watson	Loves Level NC	Leget Jenkins Robert Jones							18	100
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Minuts of the Bearcreek Baptist Association
Being her Twenty Sixth Anniversary held with the
Bearcreek Church Stanley County N.C. Commencing on
Saturday before the fourth Lords day in September 1857
1st the introductory Sermon was preached according to
appointment by Eld Wm M Rushing from the 46th P.
of Psalms and first cause of the 8th v. Come behold
the works of the Lord. after a short intermission
the association met in the house and the association
opened with singing and prayer by the moderator
2d Received and read the letters from the diffesant
Churches and enrolled the names of the delagates
See Table
3d Reappointed Eld Wm M Rushing moderator
and B. C Asheraft Clerk
4th invited ministering of the same faith and
order - to seats with us whereon Eld. Phillip
Snider appeared and took a seat with us
5 Called for Corresondance from sister associa-
tion A Peacock Jacob Miller and M. J. Morgan
appeared from the Abbotts Creek Union
association and were all cordially received and
they took seats with us
6th appointed Elders P Snider A Peacock and
Brother L Jinkins with the Moderator and
Clerk Committee of arrangment and Wm
L Stegall and Gary Tolleson Committee
of finance
7th we drop the Corresponsdance with the
South Carolina Association until further
arrangment are made
8th Reperd the Circular letter to the Committee
of arrangment
9 Elected the following ministers to preach
to morrow - viz - Eld. P. Snider A. Peacock
L Jinkins Service to commence half after

after ten oclock in the morning

10th Adjorned till monday morning nine oclock

Sabbath morning

11th the brethern appointed to preach attended at the hour
Z Jinkins preached from the 10.th of John 28th verse
my sheep hear my voice and I know them and they
follow me and I give unto them eternal life and
they shall never perrish nether shall any pluck
them out of my hand Eld A Peacock followed and
preach from Zephaniah 3d. ch and 12 v. I will also
leave in the midst of the an afflicted and poor
people and they shall trust in the name of the
lord Eld. P. Snider preached from the 116th
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for the lord hath dealt bauntifully with thee
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12th met agreable to adjournment Singing and pray by
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13th Committee of arrangment Reported and were
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14th Called the names of the delagates & noted absentees

15 Called for the Rules of decorum but they was not
present to be Read.

16th whereas there are varous Secrets societies organize
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be. contrary to the principles of the gospel to hold
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17th Called on Correspondents to Report Brother
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18th appointed the following corresonding messengers to the
abbotts creek associations viz Eld Wm M Rushing
N. M. Clark and Brethern Solomon Burnes
William Carpenter Legget Jinkins Henda Helms
Isham Coley John Morton and Calvin Helms
19 allowed our Clerk three dollars for his services last year
20 Committee of finance Report that fund in the
Treasure ——— $3:97
Sent up by the churches 11:73
Total ——— $15:70
for printing of these minuts 13 00
leaveing in the Treasure $2 70
21st Read ~~the~~ and addopted the Circular written
by brother Jenkins
22 appointed Eld Wm M Rushing to write a
circular letter for our next association
23 Resolved that our next association be held
with the watson church Union County N.C
about ten miles north East of monroe to
commence on Saturday before the fourth
Lords day in September 1858 and that Eld
N M Clark preach the introductory
Sermn at 11 oclock a.m.
24 appointed the Clerk to contract for printing
of 400 copies of these minuts and have them
distributed as heretofore
25 agreed that we Return our thanks
to the people of this vicinity for the hospela
lity extened to us during this meeing
26 adjourned to the time and place of our
next meeing

B C Ashcraft Clerk Wm M Rushing Moderator

State of the Churches

Churches	Post offices	Messengers names	Restored	Baptized	By Experience	By Letter	Dis by Letter	Excluded	Dead	No of members	Amt of Minutes	
Bear creek	Albermarle	John Morton Wm Eudy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	80	
Meadow creek	Garmon Mills	R B Biggs Aaron Jinkins	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	50	
Freedom	Albermarl	W Berries W. Colley J Coley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	55	
Jerusalem	Olive Branch	Cary Toleson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	75	
Lawyers spring	Whites Store	S Marsh Wm Carpenter H Horn	0	3	2	0	0	0	1	36	1:60	
Grove Spring	Jinkins Store	Williamston J J Autry W Bougard	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	25	1:00	
Bethlehem	Wadesborough	no letter nor Delagates									50	
Bethaney	Jones creek	Jesse Garmon	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	9	70	
Lanes creek	Lanes creek	Eld Wm M Rushing J. S Marsh B Bakeraft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	1.0	
High Hill	Monroe	G Helms. H. Helms D Liles	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	45	1.6	
Sandy Run	Jefferson, S C	no letter nor Delagates										
Cold water	Concord, N C	no letter nor Delagates										
Watson	Lowes level	L Jinkins	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	21	1.5	
Liberty Hill	Albermarle	Eld A. M. Clark — Sr. G. Little Wilmon Little	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	33	1:1	
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Minuts of the Bear creek Association
Being Her Twenty seventh Annual session
Held with the Watson Curch Union County, N.C
Comencing on Saturday before 4th Lords day in
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Proceedings

1st The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Eld Joseph Small from Jeremiah Thus saith the Lord Stand ye the ways and see and ask for the old paths where is the good way and walk therin and ye shall find Rest for your soules but they said we will not walk therin

after a short intermission the association met in the house and the bisness was opened with singing and prayer by Elder A Peacok

2nd Received and Read the letters from the diffent Curches and enrolled the names of the dilagates See Table.

3 Re.appointed Eld Wm M Rushing moderator and Bl Ashcraft Clerk

4th invited ministering Brethern of the same faith and order to take seats with us Elder Joseph Small accepted the invitation and took a seat with us

5th Called for Correspondance from sister associations Eld A Peacock John Snider and Brethern Jacob Miller M G Morgan appeared from the Abbotts Creek Union association with a file of Minutts and ware Cordially Received and they took seats with us

6th Called for the Circular but no Circular letter was pepard

8th we Refer an Abstract of principles with short Circular to Committee of arrangements in the place of a curcular writen by Brother T. L. Marsh

9 Elected the following ministers to preach tomorrow
viz Elders A Peacock John Snider Calvin Helms
Service to commence at ten oclock A. M.
10 Adjourned until monday morning half a past
nine oclock

sabbath morning

11th The Brethern selected preach attended at the
hour appointed Elder A Peacock preached from
2d Timothy 1. 9- who hath saved us and called us
with an holey calling not according to our works
but according to his purpose and grace wich was
given us in Christ before the world begun
Edd John Snider followed from Matthew
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art Peter and upon this rock I will build
my church and the gates of hell shall
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Romans 11 and 26 and so all Israel
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the word was preached with much candor
and faithfulness to a large and attentive
Congregation and we hope it will prove
as water spilt on the ground that cannot
be gethered a gain

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12th met according to Adjournment singing
by Eld J Snider
13th Committe of Arrangements Report and
the Committee Discharged
14th Called the Delagates names and noted
the absentees (thus +)
15 Called for the Rules of Decorum and read them
16 Called on Correspondents to sister association

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to the Abbotts Creek ~~con~~ Union association
viz Eld Wm M Rushing Calvin Helms
and Brethern Elijah Simpson David Lizer
Alfred McGraw Wm Carpenter Simeon Marsh
Wm H Poplen J. L. Marsh Henderson Helms
and Bl Ashcraft
18 Allowed our Clerk three Dollars for
his services last year
19th Committe of finance Report they find in
the hands of treasure $2.70
Sent up by the churches 13.30
whole amount this year $16.00
for printing these minuts and
postage included 10.00
leaving in the hands of the treasure $6:00
20 Read the abstrat of our principles and the
Circular and addopted them and ordered
them to be attached to our minuts
21 appointed Wm M Rushing to write a circular
letter for our next association
22nd Resolved that our next association be held with
the High Hill Church Union County North
Carolina to Commence on Saturday before the
fourth Lords day in September 1859 two
miles north of Monroe on the Concord Road
and Calvin Helms to preach the introducton
Sermon at Eleven oclock A. M
23 appointed the Clerk to Contract for printing
of 400 Copies of these minuts and distribute
as near to before

124 agreed that we return our thank to the curches and people of this vicinity for the hospitality during our present meeting

25 adjourned to the time and place of our next meeting by singing and pray by the madator

BEtsheraft clerk

Wm M Rushing madator

~~Bearcreek~~	~~Albermarle~~												
Bear Creek	Albermarle	John Morton Wm Eudy A Whitley	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	20	.75		
Meadow creek	Garmo mills	Alfred mc Graw A Jinkins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	.55		
Freedom	Albermarl	Wm Coley Wm Borough John Coat	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	15	.50		
Jerusalem	Olive branch	no letter nor Delagates									.50		
Lawyer spring	Lanesborough	Wm Carpenter S Marsh H Thorn	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	36	1.10		
Grove Spring	Jinkins store	E Griffin J J Autry J C Manicus	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	26	1.00		
Bethlehem	Wadesborough	no letter nor Delagates									.40		
Bethaney	Jones Creek	Jesse Garmon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	.75		
Lanes Creek	Lanes Creek	Eld M Rushing T L Marsh B Etsheraft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	1.14		
High Hill	monroe	C Helms E Simpson A Wooton	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	44	2.00		
Liberty Hill	Albermarl	Eld A M Clark L R Honeycut David Cizer	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	33	1.25		
Sandy Run	Jefferson S C	J Williams Wm Horton L Pate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	.75		
Watson	Jinkins Store ~~Mc~~	A Helms J Medlen R Jones	1		1		1		2	18	1.50		
Cold water	Concord	no letter nor Delagates									2		
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Minutes of the Bearcreek Association for the year 1859 Held with the Sligh Hill Church Union &c

1st The Introdutory Sermon was delivered by Eld Calvin Helms from the first general Epistle of John 4th ch 1st.v: Beloved Believe not every Spirit but try the Spirits whether they are of God because many false prophets are gone out into the word

2nd After a short intermission the Association met in the house and the biesiness was opened with singing and prayer by Eld N. M Clark

3rd Received and read the letters from the different Churches an enrolled the names of the Delegates and minuted the State of the churches (see table)

4th Reappointed Eld Wm M Rushing Moderator and BL Asheraft Clerk

5th Invited Minstering Brethern of the same faith and order to take seats with us: Eld Joseph Small accepted the invitation and took a Seat with us

6th Called for Correspondents from sister associations Eld John Snider and Brethern Jacob Muller and M S Morgan appeared from the Abbotts Creek Union association with a file of Minutes and were cordially received and they took Seats with us

7th Applointed Eld N. M Clark and Brethern Jacob Miller and Simeon Marsh with the Moderator and Clerk Committee of Arrangement and Alfred Leadbetter and Aaron Jinkins Committee of finance

8th Called for the circular Referred it the Commmittee of arrangement

9th Elected the following Ministers to preach To-morrow viz: Elders Wm M Rushing N. M Clark and Calvin Helmes service to commence at ten oclock A. M.

10th Adjourned until monday morning half past 9 oclock

Sabbath morning

11th The Brethern selected To preach attended.

at the hour appointed Elder John Snuder filled
the place of Eld Wm M Rushing and preached from
the 19th ch of St. John and latter clause of the 26 v.
Woman behold thy Son Eld N. M Clark followed and
preached from 2nd Timothy 1st ch 9th v. who hath
saved us and called us with an holy calling not accor
ding to our works but according to his own purpose
and grace with was given us in Christ Jesus before
the world began. Eld Calvin Helms close the ser.
vices of the day by a short exhortation
The word was preached with much candor and
Faithfulness to a large and attentive congregation
and we hope it will not prove as water Spilt
on the ground that cannot be gathered again

Monday morning

12th Met according to adjournment: Singing and pray by the
moderator
13th called on committee to Report: The committee
reported the report received and the committe discha
14th called the names of the Delagates and noted
absentees Thus (+)
15th called for the Rules of Decorum and read them
16th called on cornespondents to sister association to report
Bl Asheraft reported that him Self Eld Calvin
Helms and Brethern David Elzer Henderson
Helms Elijah Simpson and Wm H Poplen had
attend the Abbotts creek Union association and
were cordially received and had a very comfo
table meeting
17th Appointed the following as corresponding mess
gers to the Abbotts creek Union Association viz
Elders James J Autry N. M. Clark and brs
Wm Carpenter Charles B Griffin Bl Asheraft
Wm H Poplen and Alfred Lea Albetter
18th Allowed our Clerk three Dollars for his ser

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19 Committee of finance report that they find nothing
in the hands of the Treasurer

20th Sent up by the Churches this year $14:10

For Printing these minutes postage included $11·00

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21st Read the circular letter and adopted it and ordered
it to be attached to our Minutes

22nd Appointed Eld James J Autrey to write a circular
for our next Association

23rd Resolved that our next association be held with
Leberty Hill Church in Stanly County N. C.
to Commence on Saturday before the 4th Lords
day in September 1860 on the road leading from
Morgans Mills to Albermarle nine miles from
Said Mills and that Elder Wm M Rushing
preach the Introductor Serm at 11 oclock A. M.

24 A Query by Robert Jones for Instruction Does
Christian people have evil thought or thought
of foolishness: if they do where do they proceed
from - the heart or the head
Answer we believe that Christian people do have
~~thought~~ evil thoughts or thoughts of foolishness
and that they proceed from the heart

25th Notice is hereby given that John L Medlen
Received a letter of Dismission from the watson
Church Saturday before the 2nd Lords day in
October 1858 to go to the west and he has not
gone nor laid in his letter in no Church
and now by an act of the Watson Church
Wednesday after the 4th Lords day in August
1859 Said Medlen was Excluded from the Said
Watson Church for Stubbornness and ~~Con~~Contempt
for Refusing to hear the Curch and her Order

26th Appointed the Clerk to contract for printing.

4.00 Copies of these minutes and distribute as ~~them~~ heretofore

27th We the Association adopt this Rule that all the Churches in this association have the Same Covenant and the Same form of Letters of Dismission and Licenses for preachers and Credentials all Recorded in ther Church Books

28th Called on presbyteries to report: Eld W. M. Rushing Reported that himself. N. M. Clark and Joseph Small formed a presbytery at high Hill and ordained Calvin Helms to the Ministry Also Elder Wm. M. Rushing and N. M Clark met at Grove Spring Church and formed a presbytery and ordained James. T. Autry to the ministry Also Elder N. M Clark and Levi. H. Honeycut met at Liberty Hill Church and formed a presbytery and ordained Solomon Burrus a Deacon

29th Agreed that we Return our thanks to the Church and people of this vicinity for their hospitality during our present Meeting

30th adjoined to the time and place of our next meeting Singing and prayer by I Small

B. Ashcroft Clerk

Wm. M. Rushing, moderator

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Remarks Thus + did not appear

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Churches	Post offices	County State	Delegates names	Restored	By Experience	Baptized	By Letters	Dismissed by Letters	Excluded	Dead	No of members	Amount for Minutes
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Meadow creek	Germon Mills	" " "	Aaron Jinkins A McGraw	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	18	80
Freedom	Albermarl	" " "	Wm Burrus Wm Coley Isham Coley	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	15	50
Jerusalem	Olive branch	Anson "	Letter but n Delagates	00	100	00	200	00			7	50
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Bethany	Jones creek	" " "	N. G. J. Germon	00	00	00	100	00			9	105
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High Hill	Monroe	" " "	Eld C Helms A. oden J Helms	00	4	4	200	00	00	50		205
Liberty Hill	Abbermarle	Stanly "	Eld N. M Clark Wm H Poplen A Leadbetter	00	[illegible]		[illegible]	00	00	00	[illegible]	1650
Watson	Jenkins store	Union "	A Helms P Jones	00	1	00	00	00	00	00	18	1150
Sandy Run	Jefferson	Chesterfield S.C	L Pate J Williams Wm Horton +	00	1	00	00	200	00		12	100
Grove spring	Jenkins store	Union co N.C	Eld J. Autrey J.B Hegall Wm Hamilton +	100	00	00	3	1			219	75
Bethlehem	Wadesborough	Anson "	no letter nor Delagates	00	00	00	00	00	00	00		50
Cold Water	Concord	Cabarras	no letter nor Delagates	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
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Minuets of Bearcreek Association Being her Twenty ninth
Sesson held with the Liberty Still Church Stanly County N.C
Commencing on Saturday before the forth Lords day in September
1860 Preedings

1st The Introductor Sermon was delivered by Eld Wm M Rushing
from Ephesians 2. 4th 5th - but God who is rich in mercy for his
great love wherewith he loved us even when we were dead in
Sins hath quickened us together with Christ by grace ~~you~~ ye
are Saved

2nd After a short inter-mission the Association met in the
house and the Busines was opened with Singing and prayer by
Eld Phillip Snider

3rd Received and read the Letters from the differant Churches
and enrolled the names of the delegates and minuted the state
of the Churches as lables

4th Reappointed Eld Wm M Rushing Moderator and Bro
-her aft Clerk

5th Called for Correspondence from Sister associations Elders
A Peacock P Snider I Snider and brethern J Miller
H. Russell and Wilson Any were present from the Abbotts
Creek Union Association and took Seats with us

6th Appointed Elders P. Snider A. Peacock I. Snider
with the Moderator and Clerk Committee of Arrange
-gement and A Sedbetter and R. Jones Committee
of Finance

7th Called for the Circular Letter and Refered it to
the Committee of Arrangements

8th Elected the following Ministers to preach to morrow
Viz, Elders P Snider A. Peacock and I Snider
Service to commence at 10 Oclock A.M.

9th adjourned till Monday morning half past 9 Oclock

Sabbath morning

The Brethern Selected to preach attended at the

hour appointed elds P Snider preached from Psalms
122 ch 12-13 for he shall deliver the needy when he crieth
the poor also and him that hath no helper he shall
Spare the poor and needy and shall save the soul of the
needy Eld I. Snider followed from John 14th ch and first
Clause of the 15th v- if you love me Keep my commandments Eld A. Peacock followed from Zephaniah 3ch
12. v. I will also leave in midst of the and afflicted
and poor people and they shall trust in the name
of the Lord Also Eld Calvin Helms followed from Isaih
~~14th~~ 3d ch. 10-11. v Say ye To the righteous That it shall be well
with him for they shall eate the fruit of ther doings wo
unto the wicked it shall be ill with him for the reward
of his hands shall be given him. Eld I. Edwards close the
Services of the day a Short exortation and prayer the
word was preached with much candor and faithfulness
To a large and attentive congregation and we hop it
will not prove as water Spilt on dry graund That
cannot be gathered a gain

Monday morning

11th Met according to adjournment; Singing and prayer
Eld A Peacock
12 Called the names of the delegates and noted absentees Thus
13 Called for the rules of decorum and read them
14th Called on committee to report the committee report
report recieved and the committee discharged
15th whareas the correspondance between the South Caro-
na and Bear Creek associations being dissolved on
account of the Bear Creek association haveing recieved
two members in to her Boddy who were baptize by a
minister who was legally excommunicated Eld I.
Edwards appeared from the South Carolina associa-
tion with a letter and after the subject was fully
investigated we the Bear Creek Association agree
That the same was not according To gospel order

Wich gave Satisfaction and we the said Bear Creek
association agree to open Correspondance with the south Caroli
na association
16 Called on Correspondents to Sister associations to report
17th B.C. Asheraft Reported that himself and Wm H.
Poplen attended the Abbotts Creek Union association
and were Cordially recieved and had a verry Comfortable
meeting
18th Appointed the following Corresponding Brethern to the Abbotts creek
Union Association - Viz - Elders Wm M Pressley Calvin Helms
N. M. Clark and Brethern Simeon Marsh Wilson Chaney
Alfred M. Graw B.C. Asheraft
19th Appointed the following Corresponding messengers to the
South Carolina Association - Viz. Elders Joseph Small James
I Autry and brethern John Williams Levi Pate B.C. As
heraft to write the Letter of Correspondence to the South
Carolina Association
20th We agree to allow our Clerk three dollars for his services
last year
21th no Circular being prepared we the Association recommend
this substitute in the place of a Circular See underhead
Circular Letter
2nd Appointed Thomas L. Marsh to write a Circular Letter for
our next Association
23rd Resolved That our next Association be held with
Lawyers Spring Church at High Ridge M. H.
in Union County N.C. to Commence on Saturday before the 4th
Lords day in September 1861 on the Road leading from Whites
Store to Monroe 15 miles east of Monroe and four miles west
of Whites Store and that Eld Joseph Small preach the
Introductory Sermon at 11 oclock A.M.
24th Appointed the Clerk to Contract for printing of 425
Coppies of these minutes and distribute them as heretofore
25 Called on presbyteries to Report Elders J. Small
J. I. Autry Reported that they formed presbytery

and ordained John Williams a deacon of Sundy new Church

26th after reconsidering the Query in our last years minuts we

give the following Answer with my mind I Serve the

law of God with my flesh the law of Sin But it is no more

I that do it but Sin that dwellethe in me

27th Agreed that we Return our thanks to the Church and

people of this Vicinety for ther hospitality during our present

meeting

28 Adjourned to the time and place of our next meeting Sing

ing and prayer by Calvin Helms

B. Etheridge Clerk

Wm M Bushing moderator

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Bear Creek Baptist association Held with the
Lawyers Spring Church at the High Ridge Al Hs Union
County S C Being her 3d The Session commencing on
Saturday before the 4th Sonds day in September 1861
1st The introductor Sermon devered by Eld Joseph Smith
St John 5 ch 39th v. Search the Scriptures for in them
you think ye have eternal life and are they with testify of
2nd after a short intermission the Association met in the hou
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Eld P Snider
3rd Received and read the Letters from the Diffirnt Church
and enrolled the names of the delegates and minuted
them see table
4th Reappointed Eld Wm M Bushing Moderrator and
B Ashcraft Clerk
5th Called for Corrispondence from Sister Association
Elders A Peacock and P Snider an Brethern
I Miller and A P Leach wre present with a
File of Minuts from the Abbotts Creek association
and took seats with us Also Eld Ino Brown wa
present from the South Carolina Association
and took a seat with us
6th Appointed Elders A Peacock P Snider I Brown
with the moderator and Clerk Committee of Arrang
ements and Wm Hamilton and S Marsh Comm
=ittee of finance
7th Called for the Circular Letter Read and reported it
to the Committee of Arrangement
8 Elected the following Minister To preach tomorrow
(Viz Elders P Snider A Peacock and I Brown
Services to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
9 Adjourned till monday morning 10 o'clock A.M
Saturth morning

10th The brethern Selected to preach attended at the hour appointed Eld A Peacock preached from Isaiah 35th ch and last

v and the ransome of the Lord shall Return and come To Zion with Songs and everlasting Joy upon ther head they Shall obtain Joy and gladness and Sorrow and Sighing Shall flee away Eld I Brown followed from Exodus 5th ch 3rd. v. and They said the God of the hebrews hath met with us let us go we pray thee three days Journey into the desert and Sacrifice unto the Lord our God lest he fall on us with pestilence or with the Sword Eld P Snider followed from Isa 11th ch and 10 th. v. and in That day ther shall be a Root of Jesse wich Shall Stand for an ensign of the people to it Shall the gentiles seek and his rest Shal be glorious Eld L Closed the services of the day by Singing and were dismissed the word was preached with much candor and faithfulness to a large and attentive Congregation and we hope it will not prove as water Spilt on dry ground that cannot be gathered again

11th met according to adjournment: Singing and pray by Monday morning
Eld A Peacock

12th Committee of Arrangement reported: Report recieved Committee discharged

13th Called the names of the delegates and noted Absentees This +

14th Called for the Rules of decorm and read them

15th Committee of finance Reported That they find in hands of Treasure $10:50
Sent of by the Churches this year 25
Total $10:75
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16th BEAsheraft Reported he attended the Abbotts Creek Union Association un was kordially Recieved an had a very comportable meeting. Also I. I Autry Reported that he and

T L Marsh attended the South Carolina Association and was Cordially Recieved and had a very Comfortable meeting.

17th Appointed the following messengers to the Abbotts Creek association (Viz) Elders W. M Clark & Helms Brethern Wm H Poplen B Asheraft I Hinson and E. Simpson to the South Carolina Association B Asheraft and E Simpson

18th we agree to allow our Clerk three dollar for his Services last year

19th called for the Circular letter and agreed to have it attached to our minutes

20 Appointed Eld Wm M Rushing to write the Circular letter for next year

21st Resolved That our next Association be held with the Grove Spring church to Comence on Saturday before the 4th Lords day in September 1862: 12 miles east of Monroe in Union County and Eld W. M Clark preach the introductor Sermon Service to Commence at 11 oclock A.M

22nd Called on presbyteries to Report Eld W. M. Clark Reported that him Self and Eld L. Snider met at Freedom Church and formed a presbytery and ordained Wm Coley Jr deacon of Freedom Church

23rd Appointed the Clerk to Contract for the printing of 375 Copies of these Minuts and distribute them as heretofore

24th Agreed that we Return Thanks to the people of this vicinity for ther hospitality during our present meting

25 Adjourned to the time and place of our next meeting Dismisted in Short order by P Snider

B Asheraft Clerk

Wm M Rushing Moderator

State of the Churches

Churches	Post offices	Counties State	Delegates names	Received by Baptism	Received by Experience and Baptism	Received by letter	Received by Restoration	Excluded	Dismissed by letter	Dead	Number of members	Amount for Ministers
			A S Morton									
Bear Creek	Albemarl	Stanly county N.C.	J Morton A Whitley	1	2	2	00	0	00	00	41	1 00
Meadow Creek	Harmonsville	" " "	Alfred McGraw + Coley Jr	00	00	1	00	00	00	00	117	50
Freedom	Albemarl	" " "	Wm Coley J Coley Wms letter	1	1	1	00	02	2	2	00	12 50
Jerusalem	Olive Branch	Anson " "	Seward	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	6	50
Sawyers Spring	White Store	" " "	Wm Carpenter J P Griffin	00	00	00	00	00	00	2	00	34 1 35
Bethany	Jones Creek	" " "	No letter	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	8	35
			B L Ashcraft									
Jones Creek	Jones Creek	Union " "	Eld Wm Bunting J Smalk	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	15	90
			M Helms									
High Hill	Monroe	" " "	Eld C Helms E Simpson	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	45	1 65
			Wm H Poplin									
Liberty Hill	Albemarl	Stanly " "	Eld R M Clark J Hinson	1	1	00	00	00	00	00	42	1 50
			D N Dales									
Watson	Jenkins Store	Union " "	J Griffin J Price	00	00	1	00	00	1	00	21	1 50
Sandy Run	Jefferson	Chesterfield S.C	no letter	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	11	00
Grove Spring	Negro dpt	Union " "	Wm Hamilton J B Floyd	1	00	00	00	00	00	00	18	75
Bethlehem	Waxhaw	Union " "	No letter	00	00	00	00	00	00	00		
Cold water	Concord ~~Salisbury~~	Cabarrus " "	no letter	00	00	00	00	00	00	00		

Minutes
of the session of the
Bear Creek Baptist association
Held with the
Church at meadow Creek
Stanly County N.C
Commencing on Saturday before the 4th Lords
day in September 1863
the introductory sermon was delivrd by Elder
Calvin Helms from Mathew the 16th Chapter and
18th verse and I say also unto thee that thou art
Peter and upon this rock I will build my
Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail
against it
After 30 minutes recess the delagates met in the
house and the Association was organized
by singing and prayer by Elder M.W. Helms
from Georgia
1st Called for and read letters from Eight churches
and minuted their State
2nd Then went into the choise of a moderator and
Clerk which resulted in the choice of Elder
William M. Rushing moderator and Amos Hoag
Clerk
3rd Called for correspondence and recevid from
the Abbots Union minutes by the hands of her
Messengers Elders P. Snider. A. Peacock John
Snider and Brother M.G. Morgan
From the primitive South Carolina no corres
ondance
4th Appointed Elders P. Snider A. Peacock and
John Snider with the moderator and clerk to
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5th Appointed brothers A Ledbetter and
S. C Little on finance for report See Appendix (A)
6th Appointed Elders P. Snider A Peacock and
M. W. Helms of Georgia to preach on the sabba
th in the order of their names commencing at 10 o'clock
7th Invited visiting brethren to seats with us
8th On motion adjourned to Monday morning
9 o'clock Benediction by Elder A Peacock.
Monday morning 9 o'clock the Association met
pursuant to adjournment prayer by M. W. Helms
1st Called for the report on business which was read
and adopted
2nd Called the Roll and read the Decorum
3rd Appointed Elders Rushing Helms and Clark
to visit certain churches and report at our
next Session
4th Appointed correspondance to the Abbott
Creek Union Elders C. Helms. N. M. Clark
W. M. Rushing Brothers A Megraw J. Hinson
and A. Hough Appointed no correspondance
to the South Carolina Primitive for the present
5th the corresponding Brethren to Sister Associ
ations report that they were cordially received
6th Appointed Elder W. M Rushing to write a
circular letter
7th Allowed our former clerk $5.75
8th Appointed the next session of our body with the
Church at Jerusalem three miles East of Olive
Branch on Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in
September 1864
9th Appointed the clerk to superintend the printing and
Distribution of three hundred and fifty copies of these
minutes and that he be allowed six dollars for his
services

10th Appointed Elder W. Mc Rushing to Preach the next introductory sermon and N. Mc. Clark his alternate

11th The Brethren appointed to visit Sandy Run Church Report that they found her in peace and Desirous to continue with us

12th On motion Returned a vote of thanks to the Meadow Creek and its vicinity for their hospitality to us during our session

13th Read the minutes and adjourned to time and place Benediction by Elder A Peacock

Wm Mc Rushing, moderator

Amos Hough Clerk

Appendix (A)

The committee on finance beg leave to report that they find the amount of Church contribution for the present year $24.45

Tabular Statement on preaching

Saturday forenoon Elder C. Helms afternoon Elder M. W. Helms from Georgia

Sabbath forenoon Elders P. Snider and A Peacock afternoon M. W. Helms

Monday forenoon Elder J. Snider afternoon M. W. Helms

	Bethlehem N.C.	Goldwater N.C.	Liberty S.C.	Lanes Creek N.C.	Pine Grove Spring S.C.
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Bear creek N.C.	Stanly	John Morlin	A Whitley W Burns	0 0 0 0 0	22
Freedom N.C	Stanly	W colly J. co+		0 0 0 0 0 1	12
Watson N.C	Munion	J. C Griffin	D N. Liles	0 0 0 0 0 1	17
Meadow creek N.C	Stanly	A Megraw	R B Biggers	0 0 0 0 0 0	18
Jerusalem N.C	Stanly	no Delagates stands as last year		0 0 0 0 0 0	6
High Hill N.C	Munion	C Helms	A. Hough Chapman Hill	0 0 0 1 0 1	38
Liberty Hill N.C	Stanly	S. C Little	A Ledbetter J. Hinson	0 0 0 0 0 3	39
Lawyer Spring N.C	Anson	W Carpenter	Simeon Marsh	0 0 0 0 0 9	27
Bethany N.C	Anson	not Represented	Stands as last year	0 0 0 0 0 0	8
Sandy Run S.C	South Carolina	not Represented		0 0 0 0 0 0	00
Bethlehem N.C	Anson	not Represented		0 0 0 0 0 0	00
Cold water N.C	Cabarrus	not Represented		0 0 0 0 0 0	10
Liberty N.C	Munion	not Represented		0 0 0 0 0 0	11
Lanes Creek N.C	Munion	not Represented		0 0 0 0 0 0	17
Grove Spring N.C	Munion				

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Baptist Association Held with the High Hill

Church union county North Carolina commencing

on Saturday Before the 4th Lords Day in September

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Saturday Sept the 25 A D 1865

1st The introductory Sermon was Delivered by Elder G Small

from Hebrews the 7th ch & part of the 21st verse

The Lord Sware and will not Repent thou art a Priest

for Ever after the order of Melchisedec

2nd After a Short intermission the association met in the

house Singing and prayer by Elder P Snider

3rd Received and Read letters from the Different

Churches Enrolled the Singers names & not Represented the

State of the Churches

4th appointed W M Rushing Moderator & G Small Clerk

5th called for correspondence from Sisters associations & Elder

P Snider & G Snider appeared from the Rocky Creek

union association & received seats with us

6th appointed Elder P Snider & G Holms & J Ledbetter

with the Moderator and Clerk a Committee of Arrangments

7th appointed Brethren D Lilley & Wm Corley Esqr Committee

of finance

8th appointed the following Brethren to preach to

Communion viz Elder P Snider W M Rushing

& Bro Snider Services at the hour of 10 o clock A M

Sabath morning Sept 26 A D 1865

The Brethren met according to appointment W M Rushing

preached from 2 Chronicles 15th Ch & latter Clause

of the 4 verse

the Lord is with you While ye are with him and if ye seek him he will be found of you but if ye forsake him he will forsake you Eld P Snider followed from the 1st to general Epistle of Peter 1st & 2nd and 5th verse who are kept by the power of God through faith unto Salvation Ready to be Revealed at the last time Eld P. Snider closed the Services of the Day from the 55th Chapter of Esiah the 6th & 7th vers Seek ye the Lord while he may be found call upon him while he is near let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts and let him Return unto the Lord and he will have mercy upon him and to our God for he will abundantly pardon the sermon was preached to a large and attentive congregation with much faithfulness and we hope it will prove as bread cast upon the waters that may be gathered many Days hence on Monday the people seemed to be very much concerned Some Rejoiced while others cried for mercy and was then added to the Church on that Day

Monday Morning Sept the 27th 1865

10th the association met according to Commencment Singing and Prayer by Eld P Snider

11th called the names of the Deligates and Read the Rules of Decorum

12th called on Committee of arangements for Report the Report Recieved and the Committee discharged

13 appointed the following Brethren to visits absent churches to inquire into their Standing and Report to our next association to Sandy Run Wm Ott Pershing & Hunley Bethany Wm Ott Pershing & Hunley Isabel Patten Eld P Snider Clarks & Leatherbellen Danes Creek Elds G Hoskins & Hunley Evans Springs Elds Wm Ott Pershing & Hunley Evans Wm Clark R G Griffin

14th called on Brothers appointed to visit Associations to report Brother A Ledbetter reports that he visited the Mills Creek Union association and was cordially received and had a comfortable meeting

16th appointed corresponding messengers to the Abbs Creek united association viz Elds Wm Hall Rushing & Hedins & Bro Clark & Brethren Wm H. Collins & A H Montgomery Wm Cooley Bro & Absent Bro Grant

16th appointed Eld Wm Hall Rushing to prepare a circular letter to be attached to our next Minutes

17th called on committee of finance to Report they Report Sent visit by the Churches $13,90 cts

18th called presbyters the Report

19th Resolved that our next association be held with the Freedom Church Stanly county N C commencing on Saturday Before the fourth Lords Day in September A D 1866 5 miles South west of Albemarle on the road leading from Albemarle to Broadaways Mills

the introductory Sermon to be preached by Eld G. Hedins if in case of failure Wm Hall Rushing Service to commence at the hour of 11 O clock A M

20th Resolved that our Clerk Receive five Dollars for his services for last year

21st Resolved that the Clerk superintend the printing of two Hundred copies of these Minutes and Destribute the same to the Different Churches

22nd Resolved that the association Returns their thanks to the this Church and vicinity for their Hospitality during our present Meeting

23rd Resolved that this association adjourns to the time and place of our next Session

Eld Wm Hall Rushing
Moderator

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Churches	Counties & State	Messengers names	By experience & relation	Recommended by letter	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Erased	Deceased	Remarks	Contributions
Bear Creek	Stanly county N.C.	E W Ensley Wm Burris	3	0	0	0	0	1	24	17
Freedom	Stanly county N.C.	A G Morton Wm Colyer Bro Wm Colyer Bro A. Hemmyent	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	38
Walsaw	Union County N.C.	Isaac Rice D. & Riley	0	0	0	0	0	1	16	15
Indian Creek	Stanly county N.C.	A M. Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	33
Jerusalem	Union County N.C.	Letter & no delegates	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
High Hill	Union County N.C.	Eld C Helms C. Hill Wilson Chaney	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	33
Liberty Hill	Stanly county N.C.	J W Hemmyent & Brother Wm Co Hopkins	0	0	0	0	0	3	35	17
Lanyer Spring	Anson county N.C.	C D Griffin W. Rice	1	0	0	0	0	1	28	20
Bethaney	Anson county N.C.	Byron Watson	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0
Sandy Run	Chesterfield S.C.	Wm Harlow	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	100
Bethlehem	Anson county N.C.									
Cold Water	Cabarrus county N.C.									
Liberty	Union county N.C.									
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Minutes of the

Bear Creek Baptist Association

it being her thirty Sixth annual Session Held with the Hopedale Church Stanly county N. C. Commencing on Saturday before the 4th Lords Day in September A D 1866

Proceedings

1st The introductory Sermon was Delivered by Elder C. Helms from Mark the 16th: 15 & 16 verses and he said unto them go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to Every creature he that Believeth and is Baptized shall be Saved but he that Believeth not shall be Damned

2nd after a short intermission the association met in the House and the Business was opened with singing and prayer by Elder P. Snider

3rd Received and Read letters from the Different Churches and Enrolled the names of the Delegates and munited the State of the Churches (see Table)

4th Appointed Elder C. Helms moderator and William Coley Clerk

5th Called for correspondence from Sister associations Elder P Snider and Jacob Miller were present from the Abbotts creek union association and took seats with us

6 invited visiting Brethren C Shaver and D. W. Arie came forward and took Seats with us

7th Appointed Elders C. Helms P Snider and A. Ledbetter with the moderator and Clerk a committee of arrangements and C griffin and C Hile a committee of finance

8th Called for circular letter and Referred it to the committee of arrangements

9th Elected the following Brethren to preach Comm
viz Elders S. Snider C. Helms N and Clark Servic
to commenced at 10 O Clock A M
10 adjourned till Monday morning 10 O Clock

Sabath morning

The Brethren appointed to preach attended at
the hour appointed
Elder A M Clark preached from Hebrews 11th
& 1 verse by faith Noah being warned of God of
things not seen as yet moved with fear prepa
an ark the saveing of his house by the which h
condemned the World and became heir of the
Righteousness which is by faith
Elder P Snider followed from John 5th Chapt
& 41st verses Search the Scriptures for in them ye
think ye have Eternal life and they are they which
Testify of me and ye will not come to me that ye
might have life & Recieve not honner from men
Elder C Helms preached from Paul to the Ephesians
2nd Chapt & 1st verse and you hath he quickened who
were Dead in Trespasses and Sins
Elder Wm M Rushing Closed the services of the Day
by a Short Exortation
The word was preached with much candor to a
large and attentive congregation and we hope it
will prove as Bread cast upon the waters that
may be gathered many Days hence

Monday morning

1st met according to adjournment singing and
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3rd " Called for the Rules of Decorum and Read them
4th " called on Committee of arrangements to Report
the Report Recieved and the Committee Discharged
5th " called on Correspondence to Sister Associations
Report
6th " Elder A mw Clark Reported that himself and
Brethren Wm Cosby & Wm H. Popplin attended
the Abbotts creek Union Association and were
cordially Recieved and had a very comfortable
meeting
7th " called presbyteries to Report Elder A mw Clark
& J Snider Reported that they formed a presby-
tery and ordained Brother A J Morton a Deacon
at Bear Creek Church and also ordained A.
Leadbetter a Deacon at Liberty Hill Church
8th " appointed corresponding Brethren to the Abbotts
Creek union association A Leadbetter Elder A mw
Clark Obed H Singclair & Hill and Wm H Popplin
9th " appointed Elder A mw Clark to prepare
a circular letter for our next Minutes
10th " called on Brethren appointed to visite absent
Churches to Report Elder A mw Clark Reported that
he visited the Grove Springs Church and Expressed
a Desire to Retain a name and fellowship in the
association the other Brethren failed to attend
and were Excused
11th " agreed that Brethren Elder A mw Clark A
Leadbetter visit the Cold water Church and Report
to our next association and Wm H. Rushing
Obed H Singclair visite Bethlehem Church and
Report to next association
12 The Decision of the association is that it is an
unscriptural act to Recieve members in any other
Mean by Declaration of faithe and Baptism from
any other Church

13th The circular letter prepared by Thos H Rushing
Recieved and adopted
14th called on committee of finance to Report
They Report that they find in the hands of
Treasurer $11,28 and sent up by the Churches $11,
Total $23,11
15 " appointed the Clerk to contract for the print
of 225 Copies of these Minutes and distribute them
as heretofore
16th " Resolved that our next Association be held with
the Liberty Hill Church Stanly county N.C. to
commence on Saturday Before the fourth Lords Day
in September A.D. 1867 on the Road leading from
Albemarle to Morgans Mills 10 miles west of Albemarle
& 9 miles north of morgans mills and Elder Thos
H Rushing preach the introductory Sermon
worship to commence at 11 o'clock A M
17th " Resolved that we allow our Clerk $4,00
for his Services
18th " agreed that Every Church in this association
shall have a copy of the Rules Decorum
19th " agreed that we Return Thanks to the Church
and people of this vicinity for their
hospitality During our present meeting
20th " adjourned to the time and place of Our
next meeting Dismissed in Short by Elder
A Helms

William Cooley Clerk

Thos H Clarke moderator

Minutes
of the
Bear creek
Baptist Association it Being her 37th Annual Session held with the Liberty Hill Church Stanly county N. C. commencing on Saturday Before the fourth Lords Day in September A.D, 1867

Proceedings

1867
September 22nd

1st The introductory Sermon was Delivered by Elder L.S. Bodenhamer from the Epistle of Paul to the Romans 16th Chapter & 17th verse now I Beseech you Brethren Mark them which cause Divisions and offences contrary to the Doctrine which ye have learned and avoid them

2nd after a Short intermission the Association met in the house and the Business was opened with singing and prayer by Elder Wm M. Rushing

3rd letters from the Several Churches were called for and Read and their State minutes (See Table)

4th appointed Elder A.W. Clark Moderator and Wm Coley Clerk

5th called for correspondence from Sister Associations Elder P. Snider & Jacob Miller and H. Russell were present from the Abbotts creek union Association and taken Seats with us

6th invited visiting Brethren to Seats with us Elder L.S. Bodenhamer appeared from the Alleghany Baptist Association and took a Seat with us

7th appointed Elders P. Snider L.S. Bodenhamer and Wm M. Rushing with the Moderator and Clerk a committee of arrangements also Brethren S.B. Little & B griffin a committee of finance

8th called circular letter none being prepared agreed that we have an Abstract of our principles attached to our minutes

9th Elected the following Brethren to preach
Romanian viz; Elders P Snider L.C. Bodenhamer
and Wm M Rushing Services to commence at 10,0
Clock A.M.
10th Agreed that we adjourn till Monday 10. A.M.

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The Brethren appointed to preach attended at the
hours appointed Elder L.C Bodenhamer preached from
Isaiah the 9th Chapt & 6th verse for unto us a Child is Born
unto us a Son is given and the Government Shall be upon
his Shoulders and his name shall be called wonderful counsellor
The Mighty god The Everlasting Father The prince of peace
Elder P. Snider followed from Zanah 2nd Chapt and 9th verse
But I will sacrifice unto The with The voice of thanksgiving
I will pay that, That I have vowed Salvation is of The
Lord
Elder Wm M Rushing closed The Services of The Day from
Jeremiah The 31st Chapt & last clause of The 3rd verse
Yea I have loved The with an Everlasting love therefore
with loveing Kindness have I Drawn The
The word was preached with much candor to a large
and attentive congregation and we hope it will prove
as Bread cast upon The waters That may be gathered
many Days hence

Monday Morning

1st Met according To Agreement singing and prayer
By Elder Wm M Rushing
2nd called The names of The Delegates and noted absentees
Then (X) and Read Rules of Decorum
3rd called on committee of arrangements to Report
Report Received and committee Discharged
4th called on correspondents to Sister Associations to Report
Elder A Mc Clark Reported That himself and Brother Wm Coley

attended the Abbotts creek union association and were cordialley received and had a comfortable meeting

5th " called on presbyteries to Report

6th " appointed corresponding Brethren to the Abbotts creek union association viz Elder A W Clark and Brethren Obed H, Singclair Wm H, Poplin Alfred M. Grave D, T, Hennegan & Wm Coley R, Helms & S, G, Little

7th " appointed Brother S, G, Little to write a circular letter for our next minutes

8th " called on Brethren appointed to visit absent Churches to Report Elder Wm M, Rushing Reported that himself & Brother Obed H, Singclair visited Bethlehem Church and they expressed a Desire to Retain & named and fellowship with this Body Elder A W Clark Reported that he visited cold water Church the association also Thinks it is Rite to hold fellowship with that Church

9th " agreed that the Clerk Superintend the printing of three hundred copies of these minutes and Distribute them as heretofore

10th " called on committee of finance to Report they Report in the hands of the Treasurer $3,11 and sent up by the Churches $13,15 - total $16,26

11th " agreed that this Body Declare nonfellowship with Calvin Helms and all his followers for unorthodox principles and for Receiving members from the missionary Societies without Baptising them we also declare nonfellowship with any member or members who may Receive members from any of the said Societies of the Day only on profession of Faith and Baptism

12th " agreed that we appoint the following Brethren to visit grave Spring Church and Lanes Creek to inquire into their Standing viz Elder A W Clark and Wm M. Rushing and Report to our next association also Brethren R Helms & S. G. griffin & Elder Wm M Rushing to visite Bethaney and Report to our next session and to Sandy Run Elder Wm M Rushing and D Simpsons

State of the Churches

Churches	Post Offices	county	State	Delegates Names				contributions for the year ending Sept 1866
Bear Creek	Big Lick	Stanly Co.	N.C.	A. Milley Wm Burris	A. Patterson			
Freedom	"	"	"	"	Wm Coley Jr. Wm Coley Sr.	A. Honeycutt	2	2	11 100
Watson	Jenkins Store	Union Co.	S.C.	Isaac Price	R. Helms	S.C. Griffin	1		
Meadow Creek	Germans Mills	Stanly Co.	"	R. B. Biggers	A. McGee		1		1 15 00
Jerusalem	Olive Branch	Anson Co.	"	Letter but no Delegates					1 132 00
High Hill	Monroe	Union	"	"	E. Simpson	D. Honeycutt	W. Helms		5 100
Liberty Hill	Big Lick	Stanly	"	"	Pat. Armstrong Clark	S.C. Little	Wm. H. Hopkins		13 100
Lawyers Spring	Jonesborough	Anson Co.		J. Giles	C.P. Griffin	Wm Dees		10 2	26 140
Bethany	Jones Creek	"	"	"	not Represented			1 1	24 150
Sandy Run	Jefferson	Chesterfield	S.C.	Not Represented					8 00
Bethlehem	Wadesborough	Anson Co.	N.C.	Letter But No Deligates					4 00
Cobb's Walton	Concord	Cabarrus Co.	"	not Represented					5 155
Liberty	Monroe	Union	"	"	Levi Anderson	S. Whitley			2 00
Jones Creek	Jones Creek	"	"	"	Represented by Elders	Wm. M. Rushing			10 00
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	Rstore								15 100

Minutes
of The

Bear Creek

Baptist Association it being her 38th annual session
held with The Watson Church union county S.C.
commencing on Saturday before The fourth Lords day in September
1869 A.D. 1868

Proceedings September The 26th 1868

1st The introductory Sermon was Delivered by Elder Wm M. Rushing
from Revelations 22nd chapt and 17th verse and The Spirit and the
Bride say come and let him that hears The say come and
let him that is athirst come and whosoever will let him come
and Take The water of life freely
2nd after a short intermission The Association met in the
house and The Business was opened with Singing and
prayer by The moderator
3rd Letters from The several Churches were called for and
Read and their State ministers (See Table)
4th Reapointed Elder A.W. Clark moderator and Wm G Ly clerk
5th called for correspondence from sister Associations Elder
S Snider appeared from The Abbeville Creek union
Association and took a seat with us
6th invited visiting Brethren to seats with us
7th appointed Elder Wm M Rushing S.C. Little and C.
Simpson with The moderator and clerk a commitee
of arangments also D. Liles M. Helms a commitee
of Finance
8th called for circular letter and Referred it to The
commitee of Arrangments
9 aggreed that The ministering Brethren make their own
arrangments as to who will occupy The Stand at
Tomorrow services to commence at 10 O clock A.M
10th aggreed that we adjourn Till Monday morning
9 O clock

Sabbath morning

The Brethren met according to appointment Elder Wm M. Rushing opened the Services of the Day from Paul's letter to the Ephesian Brethren 6th Chpt and 32nd verse this is a great mystery But I speak concerning Christ and the Church

Elder P Snider followed Deuteronomy 32nd Chapt and first Clause of the 4 verse he is the Rock his work is perfect Elder A M Clark closed the Services of the Day from John the 5th Chapt and 25th verse verily verily I say unto you the hour is coming and now is when the Dead shall hear the voice of the Son of god and they that hear shall live

The word was preached to a large and attentive congregation and we hope it may prove as seed sown on good ground that may take Root Down ward and Bring Forth much fruit

Monday Morning

1st met according to adjournment Singing and prayer by Elder P Snider

2nd called the names of the Deligates and noted the absentees thus (+) and Read Rules of Decorum

3rd called on committee of arrangments to Report Reported Recieved and committee Discharged

4th called on correspondence to Sister associations to Report A M Graves Reported that himself and Elder A M Clark and Brethren Wm H Hopkins Obed H Sinclair associations and R Helms attended the abbotts Creek union and were cordially Recieved and had a comfortable meeting

5th called on Presbyteries to Report

6 appointed corresponding Brethren to the abbotts Creek union associations viz Elder A M Clark Wm M Rushing and Brethren Obed H Sinclair Wm Coley Wm H. Hopkins A M Graves R. Helms E. Simpson and D. Lily

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7th called on Brethren appointed to visite absent Churches to Report Elder A. W. Clark Reported that himself and Brethren D. C. Griffin and R. Helms visited Goose Springs and Lanes Creek Churches and they Expressed a Desire to Retain a membership in this Association also Elder Wm. M. Rushing and C. S. Griffin Reported that they visited Bethany and they wished to Remain in this Association but they failed to visite Sandy Run and were Excused

8th appointed Elder Wm. M. Rushing to write our next Circular Letter

9 appointed the Clerk to Superintend the printing of Three Hundred copies of these minutes and Distribute them as heretofore also to hold in Reserve 25 copies for corresponding minutes

10th agreed that we allow our Clerk $4,00 for his Services last year

11th called on committee of finance to Report they Report in the hands of Treasurer $4,25 and sent up by the Churches $14,30 total $1855 amount paid out for printing these minutes $12,00 for Clerks Services last year $2,00 leaving in the hands of the Treasurer $2,55

12th appointed Elder Wm. M. Rushing and Brethren Wm. Dicus to visite Sandy Run Church and Report to our next Association

13 agreed that the circular letter prepared by Brethren S. B. Little be attached to our minutes

14th agreed that our next Association be held with the Lawyer Spring Church Anson county N. C. 12 miles west of Wadesborough and one mile from Lanes Borough and Elder A. W. Clark preach the introductory sermon Services to commence on Saturday before the fourth Lords Day in September A. D. 1869

15th " agreed that we Return Thanks to the Church and
people of this vicinity for their hospitality During
our present Meeting
16th " This association authorizes and Recommends the High
Hill Church to Restore by quit claim Deed to origina
owner or Donee a plat of Land Two acres given by him
to Baptist Denomination known as the Spring Hill
Meeting House
17th " the association authorizes any Church in her Body to
Receive James Askcraft by adoption at his Request
18th " Adjourned to the next time and place appointed
Dismissed by Elder S Snider

Elder A. W. Clark
Moderator

William Coley Clk

Elder Isaac Smith
Elder Thos. Brown
Elder Wm. Phillips
Elder Jno. Higgins
Elder Jno. Higgins

State of The Churches

Churches	Deligates Names	post office	county	State	Exhortation	Lic. members	Baptisms	Deacons	Exclusions	Dismissions	Removed by letter	Backsliders	Restored			
Bear Creek	John Morton A.G, Morton A Whitley	Big Lick	Stanly	county N.C.							1			24	1	15
Bear Creek	John Morton A.G, Morton A Whitley	"	"	"						1				15	2	00
Providence	Wm Coley Sr Wm Coley Jr John Cox	Jenkins Store	Union	county "						1				16	90	
Watsons	Dr Giles Isaac Price	garmons mills	Stanly	county "										5	1	90
Meadow Creek	R B Biggers A McGraw	olive Branch	Anson	county N.C.							1	1		13	1	70
Jerusalem	letter but no Deligates	Monroe	Union	county "								1	4	50	2	00
High Hill	B Simpson E. Helms A.L. Helms	Big Lick	Stanly	county "	1	4						1	1	21	1	25
Liberty Hill	Elder A Dr Clark A.L. Little Wm G. Poplin	Lanesborough	Anson	" "										8		50
Lawyer Spring	C.S. griffin Wm Price	Lanes creek	"	" "										4		
Bethany	A.S. G.L. Jones	Jefferson	Chesterfield	S.C.										5		
Sandy Run	not Represented	Wadesborough	Anson	county N.C.										2		
Bethlehem	not Represented	concord	Cabarras	county "							1		1	8	1	80
Cold Water	not Represented	Monroe	Union	" "										8		60
Liberty	Lewis Anderson	Lanes Creek	"	" "										15		40
Lanes Creek	Elder Wm A. Rushing Wm Anderson	Jenkins Store	"	" "												
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September the 26th 186

Minutes of the Barrenfk Baptist
Association it being her 38th Annual Session
Held with the Lawyer Spring Church
union County N.C. Comencing on Saturday
before the Fourth Lords day in September
A.D. 1869

1st The introductory sermon was Delivered by
Elder N.M. Clark from Luke 4th ch: 18th verse
The spirit of the Lord is upon me because
he has anointed me to preach the Gospel
to the poor: he hath sent me to heal the broken
hearted to preach Deliverance to the captives,
And Recieving of sight to the blind, to set at
liberty them that are bruised,
2nd After a short intermition the Association
met in the House. the buisness was opned
with singing prayer by Elder L.J. Boldenhamer
3rd Letters from the seven churches was called
for and read. and the state Minuted (see tables)
4th Reappointed Elder N.M. Clarke Moderator
and Wm. Coley clerk)
5th Called for correspondents from sister
Associations Elder P. Snider appeard from
the Abbotts Creek union Association took a seat
with us also Elder L.J. Boldenhamer came
forwards from the Mayo Baptist Association
and took a seat with us
6th Appointed Elders P. Snider L.J. Boldenhamer and
G.C. Little with the Moderator and clerk a committee
of arrangements also M. Helms and D.C. Griffin
a committee of Finance
7th Called for circular Letter and Referd it to the
committee of arrangements
8th Appointed the Ministerin Brethren to preach on Tomarro

viz, Elders J.P. Snider S.I. Boldenhamer and S.C. Little services to commence half after Nine o'clock A.M.

Sabbath Morning

The Brethren met accordin to appointment Elder S.C. Little opned the services of the day from Acts 24th 25th And as he reasoned of Righteousness Temperence and Judgment to come Felix trembled and answered go thy way for this time when I have a convenant season. I will call for thee Elder J. Snider followed from Hebrews 4th 9th Thare remaineth thare fore a rest to the people of God Elder S.I. Boldenhamer closed the services of the day from the Epistal of Paul to the Galations Brethren 4th ch 28 verse Now we Brethren as Isaac was are the children of promise. The word was preached with much candor to a large and attentive congregation some of whome seemd deeply affected while others many of the precious Lambs of God were fed upon the many things they have heard and cride out in praises to God for his rich free and saving love

Monday Morning

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1st Met accordin to adjournment singing and prayer by Elder Jo. Snider

2nd Called the names of the Deligates and noted absentees thus + and Read rules of Decorum

3rd Called on committee of arrangements to report report received and committee discharged

4th Called on correspondents to enter Associations to report Obed. H. Sinclar reported that himself and Brethren E. Simpson R. Heling Wm. H. Joslin. A. McGraw and Elder N.M. Clarke attended the Abbotts Creek union Association and were cordially received and had a comfortable meting

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5th " Called on Presbyters to report. Elder N. M. Clarke reported that himself and Elder P. Snider met at Liberty Hill and formd presbytry and ordaind Brother S. C. Little to the Ministry

6th " Appointed correspondents to sister Associations to the Abbs Creek union Association Brethren Elder N. M. Clarke Elder S. C. Little. R. Helms. E. Simpson. Wm H. Popleu A. L. Morton. D. N. Liles

7th " Resolve that we open correspondents with the Mayo Baptist Association by Delegates or by Letters

8th " Called on Brethren appointed to visit absant churches to report they failed and ware excused

9th " Appointed Elder R. Helms to write a circular Letter for our next Minutes

10th " Ordered our Clerk to superintend the printing and distributing of 350 copyies of these Minutes and distribute as heretofore also hold in reserve fifty copies for correspondents Minutes

11th " Agreed that we allow our clerk $4.00 for his civices last yr

12th " Called on committee on Finance to report they report in the hands of Treasurer $2.56 = sent up by the churches $15.78 total $18.33 amount paid out for printing these Minutes $14.00 for clerk civices last year $4.00 leaving in the hands of the Treasurer 33 cents =

13th " Recieved and adopted the circular Letter by Elder Wm D. Kersching as a substitute wrote out by Elder Wm Thomas Ebenezer Baptist Association

14th " Agreed that our next Association be held with the Bear creek Church Stanly county N.C. Eight Miles North West of Albemarle and Eight Miles near the old Salin Road and Elder R. Helms preach the introductory sermon service to commence at the hour of 11 o clock A.M on saturday before the fourth Lords day September A.D. 1870

15th " Agreed that we return thanks to the church and people of this vicinity for their hospitality during our present meeting

16th " Dismissed in short by the Moderator in short to the next time and place appointed

Wm Coley clerk — N. M. Clarke Moderator

Churches	Deligates	Post Office	Net	Baptisms	Rec'd by Letter	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Dead	By Experience	No. of Members	Am't Tuition
Bear Creek	R. L. Morton	Big Lick N.C.	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	21	$1.10
	A. Whitley										
Freedom	Wm. Coley ×	Albemarle N.C.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	9	.20
	John Cox ×										
Watson	D. N. Liles	Jenkins Store N.C.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	16	2.15
	L. L. Griffin										
Meadow Creek	A. McGraw	Smiths Ford N.C.	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	12	.80
	R. B. Biggers										
Jerusalem	By Letter	Olive Branch N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1.65
High Hill	E. Simpson	Monroe N.C.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	2.80
	L. Helms										
	M. Helms										
Liberty Hill	N. M. Clark	Big Lick N.C.	1	4	1	0	0	0	4	36	1.75
	S. C. Little										
	Wm. H. Joplin										
Sawyer Spring	C. J. Griffin	Jamesboro N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	3.10
~~Bethany~~	Wm Tice										
Bethany	N. G. Jones	Jones Creek N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	.50
Sandy Runn	Not Repd	Sandy Runn S.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Bethlehem	Not. Repd.	~~Wadesboro~~ N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Cold Water	Not. Repd	Concord N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Liberty	Levi Anderson	Monroe N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	.50
Lanes Creek	Elder Wm Rushing		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1.20
Grove Spring	Obed H. Sinclair	Jenkins Store N.C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	.25 } in the Treasury $2.55
		Total	5	5	3	2	2	0	4	187	15.95

Those marked thus (×) were absent
Ministers noted thus (Elder)

Delegates Names

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Minutes

Of The

Bear Creek

Baptist Association

it being the 39th Annual session
Held with the

Bear Creek Church Stanly County N.C

Commencing on Saturday before
the fourth Lords day
in September
A.D. 1870

Proceedings September 24th 1871

1st The introductory sermon was deliver by Brother Russell Helms from Psalms 23rd and 1st verse = The Lord is my Shepheard I shall not want = after a short intermition the Association met in the House and buisness was opned with singing and prayer by Elder Wm M. Rushing

2nd Letters from the seval churches was called for and read and ther state minnetted (see Tally)

3rd Reappointed Elder N. M. Clarke Moderator and A. L. Morton Clerk

4th Called for correspondience from sister Associations Brethren Elder Js Snider and D. W. Aril appeard from the Abbotts creek union Association and took seats with us

5th Invited visiting Brethren to seats with us

6th Appointed the Brethren Elder Js Snider Elder S. C. Little and R. Helms with the Moderator and Clk a committee of Arrangements Also E. Simpson and L. C. Griffin a committee on finance

7th Called for circular Letter and Refer'd to the committee of Arrangements

8th Appointed the Ministern Brethren to preach tomorrow viz: Elders Js. Snider S. C. Little and and Wm. M. Rushing servis to commence half after nine o clock A. M.

9th Adjourned tell Monday morning 9 o clock A. M

Sabbath Morning

10th The Brethren met according to Appointment Elder Wm. M. Rushing opned the services of the day psalms 172nd and 12th verse = For shall needy when he crieth the poor also and him that hath no helper Elder Js. Snider follow

from from Eph: five first verses and
2nd Ch! And you hath he quickened: who were
dead in tresspases and sins: Wherein in time
past ye walked according to the course of
this world accordin to the prince of the powe
of the air. the spirit. that now worketh in
the children of disobedaice: Among whome
also we all had our conversation in times
past in the lusts of our flesh fulfilling
the desires of mind: and were by nature
the children of Xath evan as others. But
God who is rich in mercy for his great
love wherewith he love us. Evan when
we were dead in sins hath quickened us
Togather with Christ: by Grace ye are saved:
Elder S.C. Little closed the services of
the day from Johns 5th Ch. and 39th verse.
Search the Scriptures: for in them ye
think ye have Eternal life and they are they
which test~~a~~fye of me! The word was
faithfully preached and we hope much
good may result from the same to
both Saints and Sinners:

Monday Morning

11th Met accordin to adjournment. singing
and prayed by the Moderator
12th Called names of deligates: and noted
absentees thus (+) And Read Rules of decorum
13th Called on ~~Committee~~ Committee of ~~Correspondents~~ arrangements to ~~order~~ Report
~~Association~~ Recieved and committee discharged
14th Called on Corrispondents to sister
Associations to Report Elder N.M. Clark
that himself and Brother R. Helms E.
Simpson attended the Abbotts creek union

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Association and Cordially was Received
and had Comfortable meting
15th Called on for esbytrey to Report Elder
N. M. Clarke reported he attended Watson
to ordain Brother R. Helms to the Ministry
and the other Brother to attend and they
Refferd - also Elder S. C. Little Reported that
himself and Brother E. Simpson formed
a presbytry at High Hill and ordained
Brother A. Griffin a Deacon in that church
16th Appointed corrisponding Messingers
to the Abbotts Creek union Association
viz Brethren Elder N. M. Clarke Wm H
Poplin Elder S. C. Little R. Helms Obed
H. Sinclar E Simpson
17th Appointed the following Brethren to visit
absent churches and Report at our next
Association. Brethren viz Elder S. C. Little
and A. G. Morton to Grove Spring Elder
Wm. M. Rushing and R. Helms to Bethany
Elder Wm. M. Rushing and Willian Sisc
to ~~Sandy~~ Lane Creek Elder N. M. Clarke
and E Simpson to Sandy Run. Elder N. M.
Clarke and C. P. Griffin to Liberty Elder
S. C. Little and R. Helms to Bethany
18th Agreed Elder S. C. Little prepare a
circular for our next Minutes
19th Received and adopted the circular prepared
by R Helms
20th That our Clark superintend the printing
and distributing 300 copies of these
Minutes as here before
20th That we allow our Clk $4.00 for his
civices last year

22nd called on Committee on finance to Report
they Report in the hands of the Treasurer 33 cts
Sent up by the churches $17-15 Total $17-48 cts
23rd Agreed that our next Association be
held with Jerusalem Church Anson
County N.C. two Miles Northeast of Olivebranch
two Miles Southwest of Burnsville and
D.C. Little ~~and~~ preach the introductory
services to commence 11 o'clock A.M. on
Saturday before the fourth Lords day in
September A.D. 1871
24th Agreed that we return thanks to the
Church and people of this vicinity for
their hospitality during our present meeting
25th Agreed that we adjourn to the next time
and place appointed
26th Dismissed by Elder J. Snider

N. M. Clarke Moderator

A. L. Morton Clk

Churches | Delegates
Deer creek | John
Hurricane | Wm
Liberty Hill | Elder
Lewis Spring | Wm
Mount Zion | Wm
Pleasant Grove | John
Pleasant Spring | Rep
Pleasant Valley | Wm
Pleasant View | Wm
Pleasant Grove Spring | Wm
Pleasant Hill | Wm
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											Contribution	$ 7.75
											Absentees	20
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Hunches	~~Leland Morton~~ Deligates	Post Office										
Bear creek	Leland Morton	Big Lick										
	A Whitley	N.C.										
	A.G. Morton											
Meadow	Wm Burris	Garmins	1	3	2				1	4	18	1-35
Creek	A Megraw	Mills N.C										~~75~~
Freedom	Wm Coley	Albemarle	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		9	~~75~~
	John Cox ×	N.C										
Jerusalem	Rept by Letter	Olive Branch								1	7	65
Lawyers	Wm Tice	Lanesborough		1						1	19	2-50
Spring	Bp. Griffin ×	~~Woodland~~										
Grove Spring	Not Rept	Jenkins store	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15	25
Bethlehem	Not Kept			.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5	10
Bethany	Not Kept				.	.	.	.	.	1	.	7 75
Long creek	Not Kept	Lanes creek		.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8	..
High Hill	E. Simpson	Monroe	5	2	1	.	.	.		2	24	3.15
Moderator	~~Lib Hyde~~	Isham Helms										
	D.L. Hunnycutt											
Liberty Hill	Eld. H.M. Clarke	Big Lick	1	1	.	1	1	.		1	35	2 40
	S.C. Little											
	Wm Hopkins											
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Sandy Run	Not Kept	Jefferson Co	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.
Cold Water	Not Kept	Concord		.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16	3 50
Watson	L.C. Griffin	Jenkins store										
	Travis Liles										8	
Liberty	Not Kept	Monroe										
		Total	7	8	3	3	1	2	10	190	$17	15

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